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Newsline

EC Democratic Club endorsement meeting set

EL CERRITO — The El Cerrito Democratic Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27, to complete the club's study and endorsement of candidates and issues on the November ballot. Also on the evening's agenda is a review of final plans for ECDC's annual dinner — the club's major fundraiser — which is scheduled for Oct. 22.

The Sept. 27 meeting will be held in the Castro Park clubhouse, 1420 Norvell (between Castro and Donal), El Cerrito. Community members are invited to attend.

For additional information, call Dwight Merrill at 527-2681.

School measure meeting

Friends of Albany Schools, the committee to pass Measure A, will sponsor a Community Information Night on Sept. 23 from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin Ave. The public is encouraged to attend.

Cardroom opponents host campaign kickoff rally

No on Casinos, the committee to oppose Measure F will hold a kickoff rally on Saturday, Sept. 24, at Memorial Park in Albany from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The free family activity will feature fun, food and conversation. For more information call 528-7284.

Berkeley City Council to discuss cardroom proposal

Berkeley City Attorney Manuela Albuquerque said Tuesday that "certain things didn't add up" in the Albany city attorney's take on a 100-page agreement between Ladbrooke Racing and the city of Albany regarding a proposed cardroom at Golden Gate Fields. The plan, which will come before Albany voters in November, would put a 150-table cardroom along Berkeley's congested northwest border.

Albuquerque's comments prompted the Berkeley Council to schedule a special Oct. 4 discussion session regarding the cardroom.

If Albany voters approve the cardroom proposal, the agreement between their city and Ladbrooke will use an estimated \$2 million or more for Albany efforts.

Albuquerque said she had requested, but had not seen, the development agreement Albany is contemplating. She added, however, that there "seem to be some questions of whether there is any impropriety to what (Albany) is doing."

Albuquerque was also asked to find out if a majority "yes" vote from Albany residents would relieve Ladbrooke of the responsibility to provide for an environmental impact report on the project. To date, neither Albany nor Ladbrooke has released any study examining how a year-round, all-hours gambling venture could impact traffic, crime and ecology near Golden Gate Fields, almost half of which lies in Berkeley.

—Michelle Latimer

Solano Stroll winners

Winners in this year's Solano Stroll Silly Sun-ASSES Parade were the Albany YMCA (first place), Albany Preschool (second), Berkeley Girl Scout Troop 557 (third), Half Price Books Bookworm (fourth) and Albany Sorptomists (fifth). Local merchants awarded prizes.

Albany Green Party endorses cardroom

By Phyllis Lyon

ALBANY — After hearing the pros and cons from both sides, members of the Albany Green Party endorsed passage of four city measures, including the cardroom proposal, on the November ballot at a meeting Sunday in the University Village Community Center.

Measures A, G and H, generally regarded as non-controversial, were approved handily. The case for Measure A, allowing the school district to use 1993 bond funds to purchase the Hill Lumber site, was presented by A campaign co-chair Sally Outis.

Measure G would modernize and strengthen the city charter and Measure H would change municipal elec-

tion dates to conform to the revised county schedule.

As expected, the major portion of the four hour meeting was devoted to discussion of Measure F which would permit cardroom gaming at Golden Gate Fields.

Following what Alameda County Green Party council member and meeting moderator Jeff Jordan called "a neutral presentation of the facts" by Albany City Administrator Daren Fields and City Attorney Robert Zweben, pro- and anti-Measure F forces gave reasons for their stance.

"I'm voting yes on Measure F for two reasons," Mayor Mike Brodsky told the group. "Revenue for the city and environmental improvements."

Brodsky cited "significant environmental achievements" along the East Bay waterfront in Berkeley and

Emeryville. "All we have is a parking lot and a dump," he said.

The Citizens for an East Shore Park and the Sierra Club have rejected bids to oppose Measure F, he said.

Measure F merely approves a 100,000 square foot zone where card-playing will be legal, he said. "People will be able to play cards in the same room now used for horse betting."

Opposing Measure F, Jerri Holan, co-chair of the "No on Casinos" campaign, said that CESP and the Sierra Club have demanded an environmental impact report and "the majority of members are opposed to a casino."

"The casino would be a negative land use, detrimental to the community," she said.

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Clean-up crew



Albany residents Shelly Fox Rinaldi, with her daughter Amy, of Brownie Troop 2267, examined an unidentified object at Albany Beach last Saturday during the annual Beach Clean-up day. As part of the clean-up efforts a contest was held for largest, smallest and most bizarre items found. This year the city estimates that 47,000 pounds of trash were picked off the shoreline around Golden Gate Fields. Of that amount, it appears that only 100 pounds was recyclable material, indicating that recycling efforts are working locally.

El Cerrito opposes tobacco measure

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The City Council passed a resolution Monday night opposing Proposition 188 on the Nov. 8 ballot. Council members believe that the California Uniform Tobacco Act would set uniform smoking regulations weaker than many local ordinances, including those in El Cerrito.

According to a letter from a resident, urging the council to oppose the proposition, one study has documented that 60.5 percent of the state's population lives in cities and counties with tougher local tobacco controls than are proposed in the

proposition.

A number of health organizations oppose Prop. 188, including the American Cancer Society, California Division, and the American Heart Association.

"We're already on record as a non-smoking city," Mayor Jane Bartke said later, in explaining the lack of discussion accompanying the decision to oppose the proposition.

Restaurants were made 100 percent smoke free in El Cerrito in 1991.

In its resolution of opposition, the council said tobacco use is the number one cause of death in the U.S., that second hand smoke has been categorized as a

cancer-causing substance, and that aggressive public education campaigns discouraging tobacco use are conducted by the state, many counties and municipalities.

In addition, the council's resolution states that Prop. 188 would repeal the local smoking ordinance passed in El Cerrito, replacing it with a statewide law which would permit smoking in every California restaurant and workplace, that it prohibits local government from passing any tobacco control legislation in the future or setting up certain systems to

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EC safety groups disbanded

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The City Council will disband both the Public Safety Commission and the Crime Prevention Committee in order to design a new commission that will fit in more effectively with its public safety goals. The decision came as a result of a study session held last week.

"We feel there's a real need to have a partnership with our police department and our fire department," said city council member Norma Jellison. "We think we should be pushing NEAT (the Neighborhood Emergency Action Team program), fire prevention, and neighborhood safety and cooperation."

The council's goal, she said, is to reorganize both groups into one which will take a proactive approach on those kinds of issues. The decision to regroup was made easier by the fact that the Public Safety Commission meets only rarely and on call.

"There aren't many traffic issues to work on," said Jellison. "Stop signs just don't come up that often."

In an upcoming study session, she said, council members will meet with members of both the commission and the committee to determine the form reorganization will take and a name for the group that will best reflect its mission.

Jellison added that a Public Safety Commission is required by municipal code to deal with traffic issues. Any new commission will likely include traffic issues responsibility, she said, noting, however, that the code can be changed if a more effective organization is desired.

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Medical services expanding with Albany, El Cerrito merger

By Shannon Morgan

A vacant lot and loss of medical services for Albany and El Cerrito residents will soon be filled with the construction of Alta Bates Medical Associates' new building, underway on San Pablo Avenue.

The one acre lot, known as part of the Albany Bowl site, will be the site of expanded medical services in the area, bringing together practitioners from El Cerrito's Fairmount Medical Group and Albany's Solano Avenue, in partnership with the Alta Bates Medical Center.

The idea for the bringing together of this group was to help retain primary care doctors in this area," said medical group manager Paulus, citing the loss of seven local physicians recently as cause

for attention.

"That has been a concern and the group is organized to be a model by which family practitioners can stay in the community," he said.

The one story building, scheduled for completion in May 1995, will include 12,000 square feet of improved facilities, primary care and urgent care services, in addition to X-ray and laboratory services.

"We are trying to develop a more efficient office and trying to provide greater access for area residents," ABMA President Dr. Louis Wu said, noting that making medical services and facilities more accessible to seniors is another focus.

"We are trying to bring on more physicians. Many people don't have a primary care physician. We are all very excited about this whole thing."

It will be a nice change for staff as well as patients," he said.

Albany Mayor Mike Brodsky agrees with that sentiment and showed his support at a recent ground breaking ceremony to launch construction.

"It's a drastic improvement over what was there before. It's going to be one of the nicest buildings on San Pablo Avenue for many blocks and will bring medical services into Albany so people who live here can find needed services," Brodsky said in a later interview.

"I know a number of people, particularly seniors, who live in Albany are now traveling to Berkeley. With this practice they'll be able to stay in Albany," he added.

And more than just providing new office for doctors, the facility

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Albany Mayor Mike Brodsky, with Dr. Louis Wu of El Cerrito and Dr. Michael Smith of Albany, (left to right) chip in during groundbreaking ceremonies at the new medical services site.

Library growing pains through history

HIS GOODNESS, Councilmember Good appointed me to the new Library Board. The seven-member board, formed by the City Council in February to advise them on "matters related to the Albany Library," got itself organized two days after the June election.

The members are Bill Cain (appointed by Councilmember Rubin), Vice Chair Larry Jones (CM Baker), Ed McManus (Mayor Brodsky), Sally Outis (CM Mast), Chair Carole Truman (representative of the Friends of the Library), Councilmember Good (Albany representative on the Alameda County Library Advisory Commission) and yours truly. Library Manager Ronnie Davis is staff liaison and secretary. There are no alternates.

At the getting-to-know-you meeting, a member, perhaps wondering who I represented on the august body, suggested I was there to provide "historical perspective." So, whether or not "history is bunk" as deemed by that great wordsmith Henry Ford, here is some library history, ancient and modern.

IN 1964 (FOR WHAT IS history without dates), I was appointed to the Library Board as a reward for laboring in the political vineyards of a successful council candidate, a practice more honored in the breach nowadays, more's the pity.

The board ran the city library — hired, fired, beat back council spying and attempts to censor, chose the furniture and got new books first. If the council groused about our "advice," we called out an army of library enthusiasts for support.

In 1968 the county library, led by a Powerful Katinka named Bertha Hellum, issued an ultimatum: The county was cancelling the \$14,000 a year book contract with the city for library services.

If Albany didn't join the county system, they'd take back their books and the city could fend for itself, they said. The board looked but could not find an alternative service, the council would not pay for total independence, so the Albany Library became a branch. The board was disbanded in 1976 and removed from the charter in the 1978 election.

The Library Board was one of only two city commissions included in the original charter (the other is the Planning Commission), proof, if proof were needed, that Albany's love for its library spans history.

FASTFORWARDING TO 1988, the city council initiated a plan to build a new library or was it a new community center. Because, as I heard a then-councilmember say, "the voters wouldn't have approved it," they ignored the above mentioned history lesson, applied nouveau creative financing and successfully sought a \$2.6 million state library grant to pay for the \$10 million civic building.

But who could guess that our beautiful new library was on a collision course with Governor Wilson? As the building went up, county library funding went down 50 percent, open hours cut from 37.5 to 20. With the grotesque specter of a grand, but closed, library before them, Albany voters came through.

A county-sponsored poll, accurate for once,



By Phyllis Lyon

showed Albany voters would approve a \$42 library tax by the required two-thirds or more. Cheap voters elsewhere in the county, the poll showed, wouldn't go for more than \$32. How accurate that part is we will learn in November.

SO ALBANY VOTERS in April approved the "Library Services Act of 1994 which imposes a tax for the purpose of raising revenues necessary to restore a portion of library services." The \$42 parcel tax may be lowered, but not raised, by the city council as it finds necessary. The council also "may determine that the services currently provided can be provided more effectively by changing the method of delivery."

Citizens did not enact into law flowery enticements written by the proponents of Measure N or the opinions of the city attorney, fine gent though he may be.

The new tax will generate around \$300,000 and, in the belief that citizens would want to see their generosity rewarded right away, the board on June 9 increased open hours from 20 to 33 and the council agreed. The increase cost \$226,355. Added to the \$154,073 Albany already pays, this brought our cost to \$380,428 or 49 percent of the \$769,589 the county estimates is needed to keep the new library open 33 hours a week staffed with a full complement of librarians.

In August the board voted to fund 45 schoolroom class visits to the library, a young adult program and appropriated \$8,000 for library materials.

AT THE FIRST BOARD meeting Councilmember Good made a proposal which has apparently set rumors afloat well beyond the city limits.

"It would be wonderful if, when the Community Center opens its doors at 8:30 in the morning, the library is open, too," he wrote. He proposed, in addition to 33 full service hours, 20 "reading room" hours with "two librarians present and no services necessarily provided (although we don't need to be draconian about that.)"

The board's reception to the Good proposal can't be called "polite," I think. They agreed to recommend four added hours a week, now called "circulation only," as a nine-month trial to assess impacts on staff working conditions and effects on patrons. As requested by SEIU Local 616, a "meet and confer" is scheduled by County Librarian Linda Wood and represented library employees.

No doubt the Library Board will find circulation only hours on its Oct. 26 agenda. I don't know about other board members, but I don't plan to go hysterical just yet. Surely it's not over 'til it's over.

and an unwanted casino.

Antoinette Candelaria

Editor's note: According to Albany city staff the city receives revenue from all gambling functions at Golden Gate Fields, including satellite wagering. Under state law the city receives one third of one percent of every bet made.

Reason to rhyme

Editor:

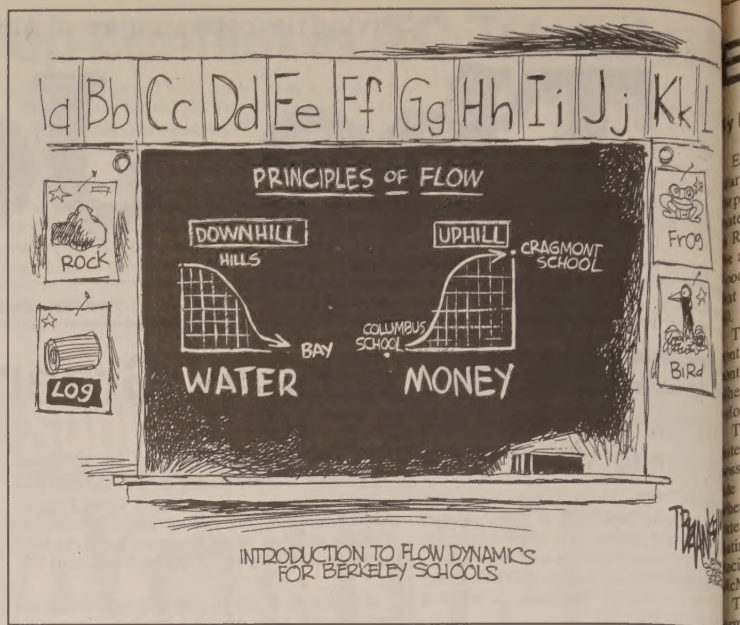
Kindly print the poem I wrote:

The Casino Stomp

No on casinos
This ain't no Reno
Once they're here they'll never go
So go tell Ladbrooke where to go

Let's stand up to the ones who say
Why our card room's sweet, it just pays and pays

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Police Reports

Employee attacked, robbed at EC business

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — An employee of Locators Real Estate was attacked and robbed at about 4:54 p.m. Sept. 4. He was knocked out of his chair by an unidentified male suspect, choked and kicked until he was unconscious; the thief fled with \$21.

Two female juveniles from Richmond approached two juvenile victims at El Cerrito Plaza Sept. 3 at 5:30 p.m. demanding cash. One girl struck one of the victims during the course of the robbery; the two suspects were arrested at the scene in possession of the victims' cash.

Two male juveniles threatened a 9-year-old El Cerrito boy with violence if he did not give them his bike. The boys took the bike and left an adult behind. The incident occurred at El Cerrito Plaza at about 2:15 p.m. Sept. 5.

Two male juvenile suspects from Albany and Richmond are accused of threatening their victim and grabbing his bike on the BART path at El Cerrito Plaza. The bike was recovered.

A grand theft scam was reported. The victim gave a male and a female suspect \$1,500 for a one-third interest in a "\$35,000 winning lottery ticket."

Three commercial businesses were vandalized. At Wouff and Ury, someone shot the windows with a BB or pellet-type gun 19 times at about 12:46 a.m. Sept. 8. The damage is estimated at \$2,000.

During the night of Sept. 8, two windows and the door glass at Software Solutions were damaged by BB gun shots.

During the early morning hours of Sept. 5, someone had broken the door glass at Atlas Liquors with an unknown instrument.

A theft was reported at Nations Pie Shop. Someone took a hose and sheets of plastic from the rear of the business during the night of Sept. 9.

Someone lit more than 25 matches in the dry grass fronting a home in the 700 block of Seaview Drive at about 10 p.m. Sept. 5.

A number of garages were entered in residential burglaries. Someone pried the garage door key plate from the front of a home in the 6800 block of Blake Street on the morning of Sept. 4. The garage door was opened, but nothing was reported stolen.

A garage door lock was pried open in the 1500 block of Everett on the afternoon of Sept. 3; that night, a key control pad was pried from a garage door in the same block. Nothing was reported stolen in either incident.

The face plate/keyway was pried open for entry into a garage in the 2600 block of Tamalpais Drive Sept. 6, sometime before 10 p.m. Again, nothing was reported stolen.

In another incident Sept. 6, the attempted entry into a garage was unsuccessful because the burglar encountered additional deadbolts after prying the garage lock/hasp.

Tools were taken from an open garage between Sept. 6 and 9.

A residential front door was pried open in the 5300 block of Poinsett Avenue during the daytime Aug. 22. No apparent entry was made.

A storage room padlock in the 3000 block of Yolo Avenue was pried open during the daytime Sept. 10; miscellaneous items were taken.

Three vehicles were reported stolen. A 1994 Ford Mustang was taken from the 7200 block of Cutting Boulevard between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. Aug. 30.

Between 9 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Sept. 4, a 1979 Buick Skylark was taken from the 10200 block of San Pablo Avenue. The car was later recovered.

A 1992 Ford Mustang was taken from the 6000 block of Central Avenue at about 12:45 a.m. Sept. 11. Two male suspects were seen.

There were a number of property thefts from vehicles and incidents of vehicle vandalism reported. Stereos were taken from vehicles in the 6000 block of Potrero and the 1300 block of Rifle Range Road during the night of Sept. 10 and someone forced open a camper shell in the 1400 block of Scott Street on the evening of Sept. 11. The thief took off the truck's tailgate and stole a toolbox from the bed.

A vehicle was ransacked in the 6400 block of Knott Avenue during the night of Sept. 7. The thief got away with two expired BART tickets.

During the night of Sept. 7, someone forced a vehicle lock at Knott and Key and ransacked the vehicle. Nothing was reported stolen.

After a messy search of a vehicle in the 400 block of Everett Street Sept. 9, the burglar took nothing.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to pry open a car door handle in the

1300 block of Kearney Street morning of Sept. 10.

Both side mirrors of a car were smashed in the 5800 block of Fern Street on the morning of Sept. 10. A windshield and two windows of a vehicle were broken in the block of Tamalpais during the time Sept. 3.

In acts of vehicle vandalism, a window was broken at Santa and Cypress Avenue during the morning hours of Sept. 7. A pellet gun was used to shoot windows in the 3400 block of Clara during the night of Sept. 700 block of Alameda (two dents) during the early morning of Sept. 7, and in the 600 block of Street during the night of Sept. 7.

A residential window was with a BB gun in the 7300 block of Hotchkiss Avenue on the morning of Sept. 8. A rock was thrown through the residential window in the 1300 block of Ganges Avenue during the night of Sept. 3.

Eggs were thrown at a car in the 1700 block of Walnut between Aug. 19 and 22, causing damage to the paint.

A vehicle was sprayed with paint in the 2600 block of Arlington during the night of Sept. 7. A brick sidewalk area was sprayed in the 600 block of Clayton Street the afternoon of Sept. 8.

Two bikes were reported stolen from a rear yard in the 1000 block of Everett Street on the morning of Sept. 8, the second from the morning of El Cerrito Plaza that afternoon. Bolt cutters were stolen. Plants in them were taken from steps of a home in the 1800 block of Arlington during the night of Sept. 8.

Marble lions were taken from the front of a residence in the 1500 block of Ganges Avenue at 1:15 a.m. Sept. 8.

A loose pit bull was reported to have killed a cat in the 7000 block of Kearney Street at 12:05 a.m. Sept. 8.

A Richmond man was arrested for driving under the influence causing injuries in the 11300 block of San Pablo Sept. 12 at 9:10 p.m.

An Albany man was arrested at El Cerrito Plaza at 2:35 a.m. Sept. 11. He was suspected of being under the influence of methamphetamine.

Shoplifters were arrested at Safeway (a San Pablo man and a woman) and at a Richmond man and a woman.

Fortune-telling business closed after resident

By K. Osborn

ALBANY — On the evening of Sept. 13 an Albany woman came to the Albany station to report problems with a palm/tarot card reader in Albany. The fortune teller had charged the woman \$15 during the Solano Stroll to read her palm but said she couldn't help her because the woman's aura was poor. The fortune teller reportedly said that for \$50 more she could help her on another day. When the woman went to the fortune teller's store front on the 1400 block of Solano Avenue the next day she met with another fortune teller who claimed to be a sister of the first woman. The Albany woman reports that the sister offered to light a candle for her and then made several requests for clothes and for a phone in the Albany woman's name. The woman became suspicious and reported this to the Albany police. Officers would investigate.

On the morning of Sept. 14 officers learned that the palm readers did not have the permits and licenses

necessary to do business in Albany and ordered the business closed until the proper permits were obtained.

A woman on the 1400 block of Thousand Oaks Avenue reported that she was approached by a man and a woman while she was gardening in her front yard on the afternoon of Sept. 11. While she was talking with the man, the woman he was with walked to the back of her yard, entered her residence and stole several items. She described the man as Hispanic, 30 to 40-years-old, five feet nine inches tall, weighing 160 pounds with brown hair, brown eyes and wearing a gray shirt. She described the woman as Hispanic also, 30 to 40-years-old, five feet four inches tall, weighing 130 pounds with brown hair and wearing a purple top. Police are investigating.

An Oakland woman entered the Safeway Store on the morning of Sept. 11 with an empty purse and an empty grocery bag. While in the store she placed numerous items in her purse, grocery bag and on her person, then walked passed the checkstands

and out of the store. She was served by security and apprehended. She was transported to the station and booked.

Officers observed a 17-year-old Albany boy who appeared to be herent sitting on the 800 block of Pablo Avenue on the afternoon of Sept. 11. He was examined by Albany paramedics and found to be intoxicated. When asked to identify himself he refused to provide information to officers and was taken into custody for his own protection. He became combative and was taken to the officers. He was then arrested physically resisting the officers obstructing them in their duty.

Between 7 p.m. on Sept. 11 and 8 a.m. on Sept. 12 unknown persons entered two classrooms at McClellan School, went through drawers, cabinets, and stole several items. There were no witnesses.

Just before midnight on Sept. 11 a thief entered the Blockbuster Video Store on San Pablo Avenue and attempted to steal a video cassette. See BLOTTER, page 3.

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EC retail development stalled

Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO—For well over a decade, plans have been in the works for the private development of approximately 65,000 square feet of space in the redevelopment Target Area 3, an area immediately north of the Sears & Roebuck warehouse grocery store, which is expected for business on Aug. 1.

Through a number of businesses in their interest, the toxic contamination issue has caused an delay in the retail center development.

Though Long's Drugs had negotiated a lease by last spring, the soils contamination of the site had not been settled in April, the Redevelopment Agency announced Second Exclusive Negotiating Rights Agreement with the Development Group and Morgan and Company.

The Agency-owned property had recently been owned by both World

Oil and Shell Oil; the Agency had concluded that an underground storage tank still remained on the site. After continuing negotiations, Shell Oil agreed to undertake the cleanup, which it recently began.

Redevelopment manager Gerry Raycraft told the Agency Monday night, however, that a problem has been encountered.

"Remediation is basically completed; Shell took out the one underground tank," Raycraft said. "Unfortunately, the type of soil is clay. That creates difficulty in even drawing out the ground water, so remediation of the ground water is virtually impossible."

Instead of attempting that project, he said, the contaminated soil has been turned over and brought to the surface to aerate. Shell will sink monitoring wells into the ground to check toxic levels, anticipating an eventual clean bill of health from the county.

The extent of contamination has

not been determined, however. No long-term remediation program will be initiated until Shell has received the official lab results of soil testing.

Before agreeing to extend the agreement by 180 days for a second time, some Agency members wanted assurance that the project is still a viable one.

In response to a question posed by Agency chair Mae Ritz, Raycraft said that "the same retailers interested from the beginning," Boston Chicken, Office Max and Blockbuster Video, are still interested and are expected to sign on as soon as the toxic situation is resolved.

In addition, said Raycraft, "we think we can beat the 180 days."

The vote to extend was 4-1, with Agency member Norman La Force voting against.

La Force has long been on record as opposing the proposed development and choice of retailers that will occupy the site.

Fire Department News

Proposed fire sprinkler ordinance could save lives

An effort to improve the life safety of citizens of Albany the Fire Department has authored Ordinance 94-1, requiring fire sprinklers.

With virtually all areas of society, fire protection has seen improvement in technology. Smoke detectors have saved countless lives since they were made affordable to the average citizen. The same is now true with fire sprinkler systems. Low cost fire sprinkler systems for residential and commercial use are perhaps the best protection money can buy. Sprinklers are activated by heat. They do not require power supply and never sleep.

Unfortunately, even with the availability of this technology, less than one percent of the new homes built in the United States today are utilizing this protective approach to fire protection. Now fire sprinklers are easily installed in new construction and remodeling for \$1 to \$1.25 per square foot and can eliminate the year of uncertainty in the home. According to the National Life Safety, a project of the International Association of Fire Chiefs, cities in California require new homes to have fire sprinkler systems. Some cities have seized the opportunity to use automatic fire sprinklers as

a way to maintain fire protection in a time of diminishing resources.

The seemingly negative reaction that the fire service is running into trying to put forward legislation as is before the City Council next week come from one source: myth. The facts speak for themselves. We have heard, for example, that "if one goes off they all go off." Not true. Fire sprinklers are manufactured to react to temperatures in each room individually. Normally, only the sprinkler head nearest the fire will activate. Data shows that in residential scenarios, usually one sprinkler will control a fire in its incipient stages. We have also heard that "fire sprinklers cause an excessive amount of water damage." Not true. Tests conducted by the Los Angeles Fire Department and the U.S. Fire Administration showed that damage caused by water in a sprinklered building is substantially less than damage caused by department hose streams. And finally, "sprinklers go off accidentally." Not true. Loss records of Factory Mutual Research show the probability of a sprinkler accidentally discharging due to manufacturing defect is only 1 in 16 million sprinklers per year in service.

Finally, how does all of this affect

our city, and what statistical factors prompted this fire department's decision to take this proactive approach?

The impact on existing residential and commercial occupancies, depending on remodeling or sub-dividing the structure, will be negligible. The ordinance is written in a way as to give maximum leeway to property owners. For example, a residence or commercial must remodel equal to half the appraised value of the property at the time the building permit is applied for. Commercial structures fall into the same category. Of course all new residential, commercial, and educational properties will require full fire sprinklers.

The city has approximately 30 fully fire sprinklered structures. In all of these structures the department has never had a fire that was uncontrollable. In fact most were extinguished PRIOR to our arrival. The Albany Fire Department had an outstanding reputation for quick response, usually under 14 minutes. This is perhaps our most compelling argument. If a fire can be controlled or extinguished prior to the arrival of our engine companies, isn't it safe to say that these new sprinkler requirements represent a significant improvement to the safety of the public?

Albany Chamber of Commerce

By Fern Luoma



Mark Diani (right) spent a year taking a bicycle tour of New Zealand before returning to Albany.

Albany native returns home to open up shop

Albany's Mark Diani has returned to Albany after a year's bicycle tour of New Zealand, opening Diani's Barber Shop, 1196 Solano Ave.

Look for the revolving barber pole at his sidewalk window.

This young bachelor was raised in Albany and is the former co-owner of Solano Avenue's Thomas' Hair Styles.

Mark calls his new shop "A barber shop of the '90s."

Using a black-and-white decor, Mark purchased the barber pole, added old-fashioned barber chairs and decorated the walls with 1950s photos of golf, tennis, pool and baseball.

J.J. Johnson, a cousin, helped design the shop.

Mark is one of the few barbers who finishes a man's haircut using a straight razor.

Available at the shop are hair-cutting, shampoo blow dries, children's cuts, beard trims, senior discounts and caters to both men and women with prices everyone can afford.

There are sodas and mineral water for customers who are waiting. Appointments are not always necessary and prices are affordable.

"I sold my home in Orinda to return to my home town as I want to be near my family," Mark explained.

His grandmother, Elena Diani, has lived in the same Masonic Avenue home for 62 years, raising Mark's father, Don, Uncle Jim and Aunt Frances; all attended Marin

Grammar School and graduated from Albany High School.

Mark's sister, Denise, is a physical therapist in Corte Madera.

An avid bicyclist, Mark works out at a gym, is a gourmet cook, loves to backpack with friends, and finds excuses to be outdoors.

Mark was active in Little League, Albany Pop Warner, was a pitcher and infielder on the Albany High School baseball team, a quarterback on the football team, guard on the basketball team and pitcher and infielder for the Albany American Legion team.

His shop is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Phone 525-3314.

Street tree planting available in Albany

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Peter Frankel

Semantics questioned

Editor:

The promoters of Ladbroke's "cardroom" proposal on the Albany Waterfront are using deceptive language to make it sound as small and innocuous as possible. However the numbers and the facts tell a very different story.

Their "cardroom" is actually for 119,000 square feet of gambling halls. How big is that? Over two and a half acres. Or to put it in terms of enclosed space that we can visualize, larger than thirty of our Veteran's Memorial Building auditoriums. To call that a "cardroom" is ludicrous.

The proposal is to authorize 150 card tables in Albany. That is more than four times the number of all the tables in the cardrooms in Emeryville.

The promoters prefer to call it "card playing" to make their gambling operation sound friendly and homey. They prefer to use the innocuous sounding term "gaming" rather than gambling. They prefer to say "cardroom" (singular) rather than call them "cardrooms" (plural) which is what they would be.

We must recognize what this "cardroom" proposal really is. It is an attempt by the world's largest gambling syndicate to invade Northern California with this big gambling casino, in the hope of exploiting an opportunity brought on by Albany's weakened financial position.

Far better non-gambling alternatives have been proposed, but the city staff and the mayor have steadfastly blocked them. We must make them consider seriously the feasible and better non-gambling solutions that they know exist. We must

not let them sell out our city to big time gambling. We must vote down the "cardroom" proposal measure F in November.

John Shively
Albany

"Facts" debated

Editor:

To Michael Feiner and the Albany Citizens Fiscal Task Force: You are underestimating the intelligence of our Albany electorate. Your recent fact sheet — paid for by "Citizens for Measure F," distributed by paid "volunteers" and, no doubt, suggested by Ladbroke's high-paid Propaganda-Meister Larry Tramutola — offends the senses. For example, your analysis of traffic impact, weighing library use at 500 persons per day against casino capacity at 800 persons at any given time is an uneven comparison, more commonly known as "lying with statistics." This tells me we should be building libraries, not casinos. The statistic that should really concern Albany residents is Ladbroke's potential contribution (read: control) of 30 percent of our city coffers. Just as promoting smoking or drinking to increase tax revenue sounds ridiculous, promotion of gambling to balance our city's budget creates far more problems than it solves. Albany voters will defeat Measure F.

David Arkin

Questions answered

Editor:

I have received a lot of questions about my "viewpoint" on circulation-only hours at the Albany library. In response to my personal statement in the Journal about our need to "maintain the tradition of excellence," I am asked: "Why mention unemployment?" That's a good question.

The circ-only proposal does not include direct layoffs. Actually, the number of hours under discussion are fairly small. However, the proposal may well become a precedent for other county branches, and I believe that job security is an important part of high-quality service.

The gradual loss of hours, erosion of regular full-time shifts, the helpful volunteers doing work that employees used to do, growing use of "on-call" employees (on a regular basis) make

unemployment a relevant concern. The people of Albany (who are employees themselves) and the Alameda County employees that serve them have common concerns.

The Albany Library has been in a constant state of change for over a year. A new, disillusioning "experiment" with hours may undermine the need for stability.

Thanks for the questions. I hope these brief, personal remarks can help.

Paul Rockwell

Gathering effort

Editor:

At their last regular meeting on Aug. 31, the Berkeley Waterfront Commission joined the Sierra Club and Citizens for Eastshore Park in demanding an Environmental Impact Report (an EIR) for the proposed Albany Casino. They adopted the following resolution:

"The Waterfront Commission is very concerned about the permanent dedication of our neighboring waterfront area in Albany to a gambling establishment which threatens to preclude any future use of the land for waterfront-related activities, and that no EIR has been filed; and requests that City Council request of Albany that an EIR report be prepared which should be done before the Albany vote on Measure F."

On Sept. 12, the Waterfront Commission held an Emergency Workshop because of the potential negative impacts this large casino would have on Berkeley such as increased crime and traffic and because it would inhibit positive plans for waterfront development. During a heated discussion at the workshop, the Waterfront Commission assailed Albany Mayor Mike Brodsky because Albany has not apprised Berkeley of the casino proposal and its probable effects if approved by Albany voters in November. The casino would be the third-largest in California and could generate over 12,000 gamblers/day to the Berkeley/Albany waterfront.

When asked by Commissioner Diane Bauer why an EIR was not performed before the measure was placed on the ballot, Brodsky replied, "I don't think there are any negative impacts other than traffic and a democratic vote will decide if impacts are so negative." Ms. Bauer stated, "An informed electorate is my idea of democracy."

When pressed about addending the contract

between Albany and the gambling organization to mitigate some of the obvious negative effects on Berkeley, John Nachbar, Albany administrator, stated it was too late to do so.

On Tuesday, Sept. 20, at their council meeting Berkeley City Councilmembers were asked to adopt the Waterfront Commission's resolution that meeting, councilmembers who attended Sept. 12 Waterfront Workshop are expected to initiate a city-wide workshop on the Albany casino. Waterfront commissioners also requested impact studies from planning staff before the next meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 21, when casino discussion will continue.

Down with downsizing

Editor:

In defense of "circulation only hours," Boardmember Bill Cain says "We are trying a type of model that really hasn't been tried in the country." (Journal, Sept. 1)

I respect the dedication of city officials to a public library. But I also believe Mr. Cain is wrong. Throughout the Reagan-Deukmejian-Wilson era — a period of decay in California public service and education — libraries were downsized. School librarians were dropped throughout California. Public librarians were off. Signs went up at reference desks: "No librarian available."

The downsizing model to which Mr. Cain is actually dated. In my opinion, assembly's public service is not real change; it's retrogression.

The Albany Library built its reputation on quality service — full service. Let's keep the faith.

General

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Alzheimer program for caregivers

An "Alzheimer's: Beginning to Cope" (ABC) program will be offered in Berkeley on Saturday, Oct. 8, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The date of this program had originally been scheduled for Saturday Oct. 1. It will still be held at St. Paul's A.M.E. Church which is located at 2024 Ashby Avenue.

The ABC program is designed to aid persons who are concerned that someone they know may have a dementing disease such as Alzheimer's and for families who are just beginning to cope with the caregiving needs of a loved one with Alzheimer's or a related dementia.

The program will explain what Alzheimer's disease is, describe other dementing illnesses that may be mistaken for Alzheimer's, inform participants about getting the best possible diagnosis for their loved one, and prepare the family by focusing on the most important things they must know and do

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Quake Corner

By Dina Cowan

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Your water heater is one source of drinkable water provided it has remained upright. A water heater that tips over not only removes one source of water, but is also a fire hazard — get yours strapped for good by the Albany Fire Department. Water from your water heater does not need to be treated before drinking and will drain more easily from the heater if a faucet in the line is turned on.

You can store water in plastic barrels, available in various sizes under "barrels and drums" in a telephone book or try the local earthquake supply store. Figure on a gallon per day for drinking and animal hygiene. A 55 gallon drum suggested, stuck in the corner of your back or side yard. Add chlorine bleach (5.25 percent sodium hypochlorite, 1/2 teaspoon per five gallons) and it will keep for a year, when you can use it in your garden when you empty it into the kids' wading pool every July. This is probably the easiest way to store water, as you only have to deal with one container, once a year.

Bottled water from the store (any

container that has air in the neck or top of the container) needs to be changed every six months or be treated before drinking. You can bottle water yourself, preferably using sturdy opaque plastic — chlorine bleach bottles work well. Plastic juice and milk containers are less desirable as they tend to crack and leak more readily. Water you bottle yourself must be treated with chlorine bleach before you use it. See the guidelines below.

How to purify water:

Boil for five minutes or add liquid bleach in the following amounts:

Two drops per quart if water is clear, four drops per quart if cloudy; Eight drops per gallon if water is clear, 16 drops per gallon if cloudy; One half teaspoon per five gallons if water is clear, one teaspoon per five gallons if cloudy.

Let stand for 30 minutes. There should be a chlorine scent after treating. If not repeat the dosage and let stand another 15 minutes.

Commercially available purification tablets may be used, but are not recommended because of their short shelf life.

NOTE: Don't use water from water beds or radiators. Don't store water containers where toxic substances, such as gasoline and pesticides, are present because their vapors penetrate plastic over time.

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The recent death of Dorothy Jacocks left a vacancy on the city's Park and Recreation Commission. It also claimed one of the community's most active and committed citizens.

Jacocks loved El Cerrito and believed in community service. A busy owner of a successful business, she still found time for a variety of volunteer commitments.

"I started working with Dorothy in 1959 at the Fairmont School P.T.A. My oldest son and her daughter were in the same class," said Pat Berndt, who's served as secretary of the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce for the last nine years. "They didn't use the term then, but I realized as soon as we began working together that she was 'a mover and a shaker.' She became active not only at the local level but at the district level as well."

Berndt and Jacocks continued to work together in many ways.

"I've enjoyed our friendship through the years, including working at the Chamber and serving on many committees," Berndt said. "She served as a board member for 24 years and was really one of the most cooperative board members we've ever had."

"When you talked about it, she did it. She was action — not all

talk."

Mayor Jane Bartke also counted herself a longtime friend.

"Dorothy was a very special person to me," said Bartke. "We go back to the '60s; we served on civic groups and worked on different functions together. We helped organize El Cerrito's birthday celebration at the time."

"We've been in and out of each other's lives for 30 years."

"She was a dynamo when her health was good, (and) even as ill as she was, she gave to the city until the last day," said Bartke, noting that Jacocks was going through dialysis every other day and still working on city projects.

Most recently, the two community leaders were working together with the Chamber of Commerce to find a solution to the city's graffiti problem — at Jacock's initiative.

"I'm hoping we can continue this graffiti effort and make it successful," Bartke said. "It was so important to her. She even sent personal letters to those who took the effort to paint over the graffiti."

"She loved this city."

Jacocks was a 40-year resident of El Cerrito and was active for many years in Soroptimist International of El Cerrito and the Republican Assembly, as well as with the Chamber of Commerce. She served on the Public Safety Commission

for 10 years and on the Park and Recreation Commission for the last two.

She and her husband, Rick, owned the Bear Vending Company. Beyond her family, business, and community commitments, she was also known for her fondness for horses, riding and rodeo events

(shared with her daughter, Sarah), her love of Cal sports events, and her great sense of humor.

Jacocks died on Aug. 24. The Sept. 19 meeting of the El Cerrito City Council was adjourned in her memory and will award a plaque to her family, acknowledging her long service to the city.

Vacant commission seats filled

EL CERRITO — Natalie Neureuther has been appointed to the Park and Recreation Commission seat left vacant by the death of Dorothy Jacocks. Neureuther has a long history of involvement with recreation in the city, particularly in the area of swimming.

Over recent years, she has served as a swim instructor, lifeguard, and pool manager for the city of El Cerrito. She's also been a swim team coach for El Cerrito High School and is currently an active member of Friends of the El Cerrito Pool.

Neureuther has also been active in other community center programs, including serving as coach of the Peppermint Patty Softball Team.

Her term will end Jan. 15, 1997.

Following their interviews of

applicants Monday night, the city council also made an appointment for the commission seat that will be empty in January, when Al Miller finishes his second term of office (the limit for commission service). Jan Bridges will fill the position.

Bridges, who is a nurse by profession, has used many of the city's park and recreational facilities as a resident and parent. Her family has been involved with youth soccer and youth baseball; her children have taken swim lessons at the Community Center pool. Her family also enjoys playing tennis on the city courts.

Bridges has been an active volunteer in her neighborhood disaster preparedness group.

She serves as block captain for search and rescue for the NEAT group.

Toddler time at Albany Library

Calling all toddlers! Toddler on down to Toddler Time at the new Albany Library.

Linda Zittel, professional puppeteer and preschool teacher, will present fingerplays, stories, and simple songs in a program for little ones — ages 18 months to 36 months. Also meet an alligator, two teddy bears, and a caterpillar that

turns into a butterfly. The program is sponsored by the Friends of the Albany Library.

Toddler Time runs every Wednesday morning, 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m., Sept. 28 through Nov. 23. Pre-registration for the series is required. Call the Children's desk at the Albany Library: 526-3720, ext. 15.

AUSD administrator resigns, replacement named

By Shannon Morgan

ALBANY — The Albany Unified School District is losing one of its top administrators at the end of the month, when Associate Superintendent for Business Services Jeffery Baratta will resign his post.

Baratta, who has served as the district's top fiscal agent for the past eight months, announced his resignation at the district's School Board meeting last week.

"I'm going to a consulting firm in financial services in San Francisco. It was a phenomenal opportunity I had wanted to do in the future that availed itself, not necessarily at a convenient time," Baratta said.

Though only having worked for the district for less than one year, Baratta said he's enjoyed his time with the district.

"It's been wonderful. I'm going

to miss Albany immensely. It's a great little community that is very supportive of its school system and embodies the spirit of how education and community go hand in hand," he said.

Wasting no time, District Superintendent Dale Hudson announced at last week's meeting that the administration had already selected a candidate to replace Baratta, after conducting interviews with five potential replacements.

"We held interviews and had a couple of good candidates that really surfaced," Hudson said, recommending approval of Stanley Maleski to fill the position.

Maleski served two years with the Peace Corp, where he was stationed in St. Lucia in the West Indies helping the government develop a blood services program, and has 11 years prior experience as Assistant Superintendent for Business with

the Dublin Unified School District.

With a BA in business administration from San Jose State University and an MBA from California Polytechnic State University in Pomona, Maleski is seen as a positive addition to the district.

"He has experience in property acquisition, sale and construction management. We believe Mr. Maleski will soon become a valuable asset to the district," Hudson said.

Board President Peggy Thomsen agreed. "We're certainly going to miss Jeff. We haven't had him long, but he's done a good job. This is a great opportunity for him and you

can't hold a person back."

"According to what I understand (Maleski) is digging in and getting in the mold right now. Perhaps the transition will be very easy," she said.

For his part, Maleski said he's looking forward to the challenge of his new post.

"I like working in relatively small organizations. Albany was a very attractive opportunity for me. It gives me the opportunity to connect with the community. It seems like the community has lots of support for its schools. It's a vote of confidence I don't see in a lot of other districts," he said.

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Performances

New Pieces Concerts: Sept. 25, 8 p.m.: Paul Brancato & Harpsichord. \$6-8. 1597 Solano Ave., Berkeley. Call 527-6779.

St. Joseph Basilica: Sept. 25, 2 p.m. St. Joseph Notre Dame High School presents Frederica von Stade with guest Marilyn Horne in a benefit concert for the Scholarship Funds of St. Joseph Notre Dame High School. \$30 and up. Call 841-7143.

Thomas Schultz: Sept. 24, 8 p.m.: Pianist performs at Northern Fellowship Meeting House, 2138 Cedar St., Berkeley. \$8-\$12. Call 841-7721.

Berkeley Repertory Theatre: "Don Juan Giovanni" runs through Oct. 21. 2025 Addison, Berkeley. Tickets: 845-4700.

Caffé Mediterraneo: Sept. 27, 7-9 p.m.: Poetry readings feature A.M. Stanley and Judy Wells. Open reading begins at 8 p.m. 2475 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley. Call 549-1128.

La Val's: Sept. 23, Oct. 1: "What's My Mantra?" a one-man show written and performed by San Francisco-based actor/comedian Mick Berry. \$5. 1834 Euclid, Berkeley. Call 540-7743.

The Long Haul: Sept. 26, 7 p.m.: Women's Poetry Reading. Event is wheelchair accessible and open to women only. 3124 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley.

Mother's Hen: Sept. 22, 7 p.m.: "Touch of a Poet" series features Jim Cook and Doug Nash. Sept. 29, 7 p.m.: "Touch of a Poet" series features Ann Kyle and Starr Morrow. All poets welcome to read. Spasso Coffeehouse, 6021 College Ave., Berkeley. Free. Call 428-1818.

Poetry at Cody's: Sept. 28, 7:30 p.m.: Alta and Sandy Diamond. \$2, upstairs. 2454 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley.

Ashkenaz: Sept. 22: George & the Wonders; Sept. 23: Bitito; Sept. 24: Tee Fee; Sept. 27: Motor Dude Zydeco; Sept. 29: Rasta Fire. 1317 San Pablo, Berkeley. 525-5054.

Cafe Bistro, the place for Jazz: Sept. 22: Mishia; Sept. 23: Betty Shaw; Sept. 24: Michael Golds; Sept. 25: Tracy McMullen; Sept. 27: Peter Cornell; Sept. 28: Jeff Massanari; Sept. 29: Mishia. 2271 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. Call 848-3081.

Freight & Salvage: Due to construction performances for Freight & Salvage will be held at the St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. Tickets will still be available at the F & S box office and through BASS. Sept. 25: Tom Paxton. Doors open 7:30 p.m.; Music 8 p.m. Sunday through Thursday; 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. 548-1761.

Kimball's East: Through Sept. 25: Rachelle Ferrell; Sept. 28 through Oct. 2: Average White Band. All shows 8 and 10 p.m. unless otherwise noted. \$18-\$24. 5800 Shellmound St., Emeryville. Call 658-2555.

La Peña Cultural Center: Sept. 23, 8 p.m.: Duchiela; Sept. 24: Orquesta Tentación; Sept. 25: The musical The Joy of Gay Sex (A love story in spite of itself). 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 849-2568.

Starry Plough: Sept. 22: Naked Planet, Jazz Iguanas; Sept. 23: Boxset; Sept. 24: Buffalo Roam, Infinity Sam; Sept. 25: The Claddagh Band; Sept. 29: Pomegranate, Com:ine. Music starts Thursday through Saturday, 9:30 p.m.; Sunday, 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 841-2082.

Meetings, Classes, Lectures and other events

Amtrak Salutes the American Worker: Sept. 24, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.: Amtrak hosts "See It! Be It! Day". Kids, 12 and under, will meet Bay Area workers, illustrate "What I Want to Be When I Grow Up," and along with local artists, parents and professionals, will create two paintings honoring the American worker. Emeryville Amtrak Station, 5885 Landregan St., Emeryville.

Book Sale: Sept. 24, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.: The Friends of the El Cerrito Library will hold their annual book sale, downstairs at the El Cerrito Library. Call 528-5116 for information.

Open Forum: Sept. 25: "Intervention in the 90s: US/UN Peace-Keepers or Imperialists?" The Starry Plough, Restaurant & Pub, 3101 Shattuck Ave.,

Berkeley. Call 841-2082 for schedule of events and other information.

Barnes & Noble: Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m.: Eileen Cronin, *Helping Your Dyslexic Child*; Sept. 24: Ellen Uzelac, *Lost and Found: A Journey Through Grief*; Sept. 26: Word of Mouth Poetry series features local poets Vernon Small, Rob Stewart and Ed Smallfield; 7:30 p.m.; Sept. 26: Science Fiction Book Club, *When Night Falls*; Sept. 29: Sandy Bernhardt, *House Journal*. Barnes & Noble Bookstore, 2352 Shattuck, Berkeley. 844-0861.

Black Oak Books: Readings, Sept. 25: Huston Smith, *The Illustrated World's Religions: A Guide to Our Wisdom Traditions*; Sept. 26: Abraham Rodriguez, Jr., *Spidertown*; Sept. 27: John Gregory Dunne, *Playland*; Sept. 28: Dorothy Allison, *Armadiños and Old Lace*; Sept. 29: Eunice Lipton, Ph.D., *Allas Olympia: A Woman's Search for Manet's Notorious Model and Her Own Desire*. All events 7:30 p.m. unless noted. Free. 1491 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 486-0698.

Cody's Books: Readings, Sept. 22: Bharati Mukherjee, *The Holder of the World*; Sept. 25: Melody Beattie, *The Lessons of Love: Rediscovering Our Passion for Life When It All Seems Too Hard to Take*; Sept. 27: Kevin Phillips, *Arrogant Capital: Washington, Wall Street and the Frustration of American Politics*; Sept. 29: Jack Hoffman, *Run Run Run: The Lives of Abbie Hoffman*. All events 7:30 p.m. unless noted. 2454 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley. 845-7852.

Easy Going Travel Shop and Bookstore: Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m.: "Computer Resources for the Traveler" by Lee Foster and Bill Newlin; Sept. 29, 7:30 p.m.: "Seeking High Ground" by Richard Bangs. 1385 Shattuck Ave., at Rose, Berkeley. 843-3533.

GAIA Bookstore & Community Center: Sept. 23: Maureen Murdock, *The Hero's Daughter*; Sept. 26: Joan Anderson, *An Angel to Watch Over Me*; Sept. 27: Corinne McLaughlin & Gordon Davidson, *Spiritual Politics: Changing the World From the Inside Out*. All events 7:30 p.m. unless noted. 1400 Shattuck Ave. 548-4172.

Berkeley Hiking Club: Sept. 25: 8:30 a.m.: Anthony Chabot Regional Park, call 548-5238; 10 a.m.: Horse-shoe Trail Above Berkeley, mini hike, call 848-4414.

REI: Sept. 22: "How to Keep Your Head Among Headhunters" with Jim Wilkins; Sept. 29: "Treking in Russian and Central Asia" with Frith Maier. 1338 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 527-4140.

Ecology Center: Sept. 24 and 25: Fall Equinox celebration at the Berkeley Farmers' Market features live entertainment and fresh, organically grown produce. Sept. 25, 7:30 p.m.: "Plastics Recycling: Ethical Choices for Healthy Communities". 2530 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 548-3333.

San Francisco Fern Society: Sept. 27, 6:30 p.m.: "Spore Propagation" — a hands-on presentation by Iris Gaddis and Martin Grantham. At the UC-Berkeley Botanical Garden in Strawberry Canyon.

UC-Berkeley Botanical Garden: Sept. 25, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.: Fall Plant Sale. Call 642-3343.

Berkeley Fellowship of Unitarian Universalists: Sept. 24, 7:30 p.m.: Alameda County Supervisor Keith Carson will join a program in support of Prop 186, the California Health Security Act. Admission is free. 1606 Bonita St., Berkeley.

Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church: Sept. 25, all day: 32nd Annual Women's Day. 1400-8th St., Berkeley. 524-1204.

Berkeley Richmond Jewish Community Center: Sept. 26, 11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.: Mayor Jeffrey Leiter will speak on "Impressions of being Mayor at the half-way point". 1414 Walnut St., Berkeley. 848-0237.

Berkeley Folk Dancers: International folk dance lessons. Beginners class: Tuesdays, 7:45-9:45 p.m. Classes for other levels available. 1301 Shattuck at Berryman, Berkeley. Call 527-2491.

Avatar Toastmasters: Sundays at 6 p.m.: Learn public speaking skills in a friendly supportive, New Age environment. Call 835-3122 or 843-6514.

BAC-OUT: Sept. 29, 7 p.m.: Bay Area Coalition Opposed to U.C. Toxics

holds a public hearing on Draft EIR for U.C.'s toxic waste facility. International House Auditorium, 2299 Piedmont Ave., Berkeley. 704-0764.

Berkeley Black Council: Sept. 22, 7 p.m.: The public is invited to attend a meeting that will feature mayoral, city council and school board candidates at McGee Avenue Baptist Church, 1640 Stuart St., Berkeley. Call 845-8679.

Berkeley City Club: Sept. 25: Architectural tour. 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley. 848-7800.

Berkeley Community Media: Sept. 28, 7:30 p.m.: Meeting to discuss a Berkeley TV channel. 1900 Sixth St., Berkeley. 848-2288.

Berkeley Place: Hear's to Your Health! Series continues Sept. 26, 10:30 a.m., with a coffee with Wade R. Cartwright, M.D., F.A.C.S., an ear, nose and throat specialist at 1900 Sixth St., Berkeley. Call 644-2000.

Berkeley Public Library: Sept. 29, noon-7 p.m.: Readings from banned books, 2090 Kittredge St., Berkeley. Call 644-6100.

Berkeley Zen Center: Sept. 18, 4 p.m.: Tassajara gourmet vegetarian cooking with Ed Brown: A class and dinner to benefit the Berkeley Zen Center. 2362 Bancroft, Berkeley. Call 845-2403.

Business Exchange Network: Sept. 22, 7 p.m.: "Buying a Small to Mid-sized Business" at Hobee's Restaurant, conference room. 5765 Christie Ave., Emeryville. Call 831-9225.

Center for Accessible Technology: Sept. 24, 10 a.m.: Presents an overview of technology that is used by people with disabilities, at 2525-8th St., Berkeley. Call 841-3224.

Center for Psychological Studies: Sept. 23, noon: Group Therapy Grand Rounds features Rodney J. Shapiro, Ph.D., on "Effective Interventions with Violent Couples." 1398 Solano Ave., Albany. 524-0291.

City of Berkeley: Recreation department sponsors: Women Drop in Basketball; Mens Basketball; Co-Recreational Volleyball. Call 644-6530.

City Commons Club: Sept. 23, noon: "The Nature of Peace, Beyond Power" by Charles Merfield, professor of political science (retired), California State University, Hayward. 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley. Call 848-3533.

City of El Cerrito: Sept. 24, 10 a.m.: New pottery studio located at Tassajara Park Clubhouse, 2575 Tassajara, will hold grand opening celebration. Call 515-4371.

East Bay Heritage Quilters: Sept. 26, 7:30 p.m.: "Progression and Diversions: My Development as a Quiltmaker," a lecture by Ruth McDowell. \$3. One Lawson Road, Kensington. Call 527-7782.

East Bay Skeptics Society: Sept. 23, 8 p.m.: "Drug Dependency: The Dilemma of Addiction" by Wolfgang Sadee, Ph.D. Mulford Hall 159, UC-Berkeley. Call 420-0702.

Friends Committee on Nat'l Legislation: Sept. 17: Workshop for activists on the federal budget and defense conversion features Ruth Flower and a panel of experts on Bay Area defense conversions. Call 891-9013.

H.O.P.E.: Helping Out Pets Everywhere holds pet adoptions at the El Cerrito Pet Food Express, 11501 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito, on the first and third Saturday of each month from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 236-9572.

Kensington Senior Activity Center: Sept. 29, 11 a.m. - noon: Eleanor Wharton leads a discussion on great books. 52 Arlington Ave., Kensington. Call 526-9146.

League of Women Voters: Meet Berkeley candidates for Nov. 8 election: Sept. 22: School Board Directors; Sept. 29: Mayor and Auditor. Berkeley City Council Chambers. Call 843-8824.

Nat'l Assoc. of Ret. Federal Employees, Ch. 1282: Meets Sept. 27, 1 p.m. at Albany United Methodist Church, 980 Stannage Ave., Albany. Kevin Kennedy of Russi, Kennedy & Co. will speak on "Increasing Interest Rates of Investments".

Rotary Club of El Cerrito: Meets at Mira Vista Country Club Thursdays, 12:15 p.m. 933-4718.

Safety Works: Mondays, 7 p.m.: Free lecture demonstrations on options for personal safety. Reservations requested. 1589 Solano Ave., Berkeley. 528-5333.

Teletasters, television production club, meets the last two Wednesdays of the month. Bay Vision East Studio, 10042 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito. Public invited.

Exhibits

ACCI Gallery: "Allegory: Symbolic Narrative" runs through Oct. 16. 1652 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 843-2527.

Albany Arts Gallery: "Three Ages and Three Views of Our World," an exhibit featuring Kerik Kouklis, Jesse C. Rabinowitz and Leo Dosmedios runs through Oct. 9, 1251 Solano Ave., Albany. 526-9558.

Berkeley Art Center: "Bodies and Souls," an exhibit of photography by Ruth Morgan, Gayle Tanaka and Kenneth Wilkes. 1275 Walnut St., Berkeley. Call 644-6893.

Berkeley Historical Society Museum: "Berkeley on the Move: 100 Years of Public Transportation" exhibition surveys the street car and train systems throughout Berkeley and the East Bay. Runs Thursday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. through October 29. 1931 Center St., Berkeley. 848-0181.

Environmental Education Center: "Jewel Lake Year," an installation of paintings and poems by Janine Brown, will be on view through Oct. 4. Tilden Park Nature Area, Berkeley. Call 523-2233.

Fig Tree Gallery: "The Camera Obscura," an exhibit of works by Bay Area photographers James Armstrong, Jaleh Doane, Stan Whitehead, Mike Stefanetti, Paul Whitehead and Keith Whitaker runs through Oct. 9. 927 Parker St., Berkeley. 540-7843.

Gallery of the Center for Psychological Studies: "Voices of the Soul," an exhibit of paintings by J. Ruth Gendler, opens with a reception for the artist Sept. 23, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Runs through Oct. 20. 1398 Solano Ave., Albany. 524-0291.

Graduate Theological Union: "Golden Flower Paintings," an exhibition of mixed-media construction paintings based on the Chinese meditation manual *The Secret of the Golden Flower* by Berkeley artist Katherine Sherwood closes Sept. 30 at the Flora Lamson Hewlett Library, 2400 Ridge Road, Berkeley. Call 649-2400.

Judah L. Magnes Museum: Three exhibits will run through October 2. "Irving Anson—An Odyssey in Prints," "The Challenge of Piety: The Sattmar Hasidim in America" an exhibit which traces the challenges of Hasidic autonomy through a collection of photographs by Maud B. Weiss and Michael Neumeister, and "Minkowski Exhibit" honoring the collection lost in the Argentine tragedy. 2911 Russell St., Berkeley. 549-6950.

La Belle Creole Restaurant: "Haitian and Haitian American Artists," exhibit sponsored by the Bay Area Haitian-American Council runs through Oct. 10. 4090 San Pablo Ave., Emeryville. Call 654-6008/848-9540.

Lawrence Hall of Science: "Within the Human Brain," "Laser: The Light Fantastic," "Math Rules," and "1492: Two Worlds of Science" are all ongoing exhibits. UC-Berkeley campus. Call 642-5132.

Mandana North: "A.R.T.S. Show," a group show with 20 artists exhibiting paintings, drawings, sculpture and photography closes Sept. 30. 606 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. 526-0068.

New Leaf Garden Gallery: "Water Visions 94," an exhibit joining water and sculpture closes Sept. 25. 1286 Gilman St., Berkeley. Call 525-7621.

New Pieces: "Quilts by Debra Lunn" an exhibit by the Colorado quilter that includes her hand-dyed fabric will run through Oct. 5. 1597 Solano Ave., Berkeley. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. 527-6779.

NIAD Gallery: "Outrageous Costumes & Clever Disguises," an exhibition featuring the work of artists who push the boundaries of costume through creative use of materials and

process, concludes on October 31 with a costume parade at 12:30 p.m. 552 23rd St., Richmond. 620-0290.

Richmond Art Center: "Measuring Up" runs through Nov. 13. Civic Center Plaza, 25th and Barrett, Richmond. Call 620-6772.

The Tattoo Archive: Through Jan. 1995: "Sailor Tattooing," an exhibit that celebrates one of the greatest traditions in the art of tattooing, military designs, especially navy, will be on view through Jan. 1995. The exhibition will show sailor tattooing from around the world. 2804 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 548-5895.

Weir Gallery: "Bay to Delta" an exhibit of landscape art in all media, reflecting the range, diversity and beauty of East Bay parklands, features historic as well as contemporary works by over 30 local artists and is in honor of the 60th anniversary of the East Bay Regional Parks District. Closes Sept. 24. 1605 Solano Ave., Berkeley. 524-8821.

ZIA Houseworks: "terra australis incognita," an exhibition of recent paintings and works on paper by Joan Perlman, runs through Oct. 9. 1310-10th St., Berkeley. Call 528-2377.

Support Groups and Self-Help

Albany Home Schooling Support Group is forming. Call Dick and Pattee Otterstad at 524-4063.

Albany Special Education Parent Support Group monthly meetings. 524-9753 or 525-8135 for information.

Alzheimer's Association offers support groups throughout the Bay Area. For information, call 800-942-1333.

Alzheimer's Support Group meets at Doctor's Hospital the second Wednesday of every month at 1 p.m. 2151 Appian Way, Pinole. 724-5040. Asthma Support Group meets the third Monday of every month at 7 p.m. 741-2442.

Anxiety and Phobic support group: meets every Saturday at 10 a.m.: St. James Lutheran Church, 1963 Carlson Blvd., Richmond. Call 233-5543.

ASA-AMI: American Schizophrenia Association—Alliance for the Mentally Ill. Sept. 28, 7:30 p.m.: holds its bi-monthly meeting. Sarah Stadler, M.D. will speak on "Anxiety and Panic Disorders." The public is invited to attend. 2401 LeConte at Scenic in Berkeley. Call 841-8361.

Autism Society of America, North Alameda County Chapter meets on the first and third Saturdays of every month, 3-5 p.m. Call 658-1249 or 521-3973 for location.

Bereavement Support Group, sponsored by the Grief Counseling Project, a program of the Suicide Prevention & Crisis Intervention of Alameda County, meets in Berkeley. Bereavement Support Groups are a safe, confidential place for people to receive support around loss. Understanding emotions, as well as learning about loss may also aid in the healing process. The group will be held from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. and will meet for 10 weeks starting in Aug. Call 889-1104.

Berkeley Arthritis Club meets second Tuesday of every month, 1 p.m. Alta Bates Medical Center Hemick campus.

Breast Cancer Support Groups are offered by the Alta Bates Comprehensive Breast Center. Women under 40 that have been newly diagnosed or are under treatment meet the first and third Thursday of every month from 5-7 p.m.; An informal education forum for spouses and partners of women with

breast cancer meets the third day of every month from 8-9 p.m. group for women who are cancer patients as a treatment meets the second Tuesday of every month from 9 a.m. - noon. All groups meet at the Bates Medical Center, 2450 Solano Ave., in Berkeley. There is no charge and pre-registration is required. 204-1811.

Cancer Support Group meets for patients, caretakers, long-term survivors and friends; every other Friday, 11 a.m. All Souls Episcopal Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. 841-4776 voice; 848-3101 TDD.

Disabled and Deaf Parent Support Group, second and fourth Wednesdays, 4 to 5:15 p.m. sponsored by Center for Independent Living. American Sign Language interpreters available. Big Room, St. John's Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. 841-4776 voice; 848-3101 TDD.

Educational hotline for parents experiencing impotence has been set up at West Contra Costa Urological Center. Call (800) 533-7379.

Epilepsy League of the Bay Area Support Group meets the third Wednesday of every month in the conference room A of Herrick Hospital, corner of Shattuck and Dwight from 7-9 p.m. Call 893-6272.

Forty Plus, managers and professionals over 40 seeking orientation meetings each month, 8 a.m., 7440 Lockheed St., near land airport. No charge. 430-3040.

Friends of HomeBirth, a support and advocacy group, meets the Wednesday of the month at 522-6755 or 237-9724.

Heart Talks are held the second Tuesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. Brookside Hospital Auditorium, Vale Road, San Pablo. 235-7100.

Overeaters Anonymous (Berkeley) meets every Saturday to provide aid to those with eating problems. 10 a.m.; newcomers meet at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave. 273-9292/841-8562.

Overeaters Anonymous (Oakland) special daytime rescue meetings with parents of babies and small children every Friday, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Northbrae Community Church, 5830 Stockton. 273-9292.

Overeaters Anonymous (San Francisco) meets every Saturday to provide aid to those with eating problems. 10 a.m.; newcomers meet at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave. 273-9292/841-8562.

Partners of Survivors of Anonymous: Also for partners persons who are multiple partners and of ritual abuse survivors. Meetings at 8 p.m., Mandana House, Mandana, Oakland. Call 839-9400.

Secular Organizations for Adult Men (SOAM) meets Mondays and Fridays p.m. in Berkeley at 606 Bancroft Avenue. 841-2221.

Women in Midlife: Leadership discussion group meets every other Tuesday, 7-9 p.m. in Berkeley. Over 40 welcome. Call 527-5500.

Women's support group for grain sufferers meets monthly in Berkeley. Call 841-9717 for more information.

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Albany riders vaulting to success

By Amy Berg

A few miles beyond Briones Regional Park, the blue-grey barn of Black Point Farm fits snugly in the gently rolling hillside. Fog, hovering on the other side of the Berkeley-Richmond hills, tempers the sunny afternoon while a group of ten children practice on barrels just outside the stable door. The kids, all at the farm to learn the sport of vaulting, range in age from 9 to 16.

For Albany High School sophomores Mirari Jacobson and Diana DiGennaro, Black Point Farm is nearly a second home. The two girls spent much of the summer working there at a day camp for youngsters and both go to practice two to three afternoons each week.

Indeed, there is a homey feel about the place. A large room in one corner of the barn is furnished with a dusty coffee table and two worn couches strewn with students' backpacks. It could almost pass as anyone's well-loved family room, if not for the unmistakable scent of horses that permeates the air. But more than the environs, it's the children's giggles and easy banter with their coaches that suggests just how at home they feel.

Sarah Schilbach, the B team coach, advises the group working on the barrels while Carol Dwinell, team manager and stable owner, drives a tractor over the dirt in the arena, softening it in preparation for the practice that will soon be conducted there on horseback.

At Black Point Farm the kids participate in all the aspects of horsemanship from mucking the stalls to grooming the horses, to caring for and learning the proper use of the riding equipment.

"Kids have to be involved in the entire process in order to learn about safety and feel truly comfortable around horses. This

isn't just about performance," said Dwinell, who has had her vaulters demonstrate their skills at Albany High in the past, as part of an anti-drug education day.

"Vaulting originated in ancient Greece in a more simple form where it was used to train soldiers," Sarah Schilbach explained. "It has evolved into a sport that combines dance and gymnastics performed on a moving horse, not unlike what you've seen at the circus."

According to Schilbach, vaulting as a sport first became popular in Austria, Germany, and Switzerland. Over the past 20 years it has been winning enthusiasts throughout Europe (where it is often used as an introduction to horseback riding) as well as in the United States.

Coach Schilbach began vaulting in her native Germany when she was 6 years old. She joined the team at Black Point Farm in 1993, while also working there as an assistant coach. A year ago she became coach of the B team.

As the hum of the tractor dies down, it is soon replaced by the soft, rhythmic beat of a cantering horse and the sound of the longeur (pronounced lunjer) clicking time with her tongue as she warms up the horse. The longeur, whose name is Erin Cossen, stands in the middle of the arena, holding the longe line which is connected to the horse's bridle. As the horse runs around the ring, the longeur turns so that she always faces him.

Gumby, a honey-colored, dapple-coated draft horse, Mirari Jacobson's favorite, wears a surcingle, two large grips on a belt that fits around the horse's body near his shoulders and a thick pad on his back. Jacobson approaches the horse at a canter, matching his gait until just the right moment. She grasps the



Photos by Amy Berg

Diana DiGennaro and Mirari Jacobson practice difficult team moves (above). DiGennaro concentrates on balance (right).

grips and, using the thrust from his upward movement, is up on his back in a flash. Even at five feet two inches tall and a mere 90 pounds, Jacobson makes her mount onto the large horse look simple.

Jacobson, 15 years old, began vaulting three years ago. Her participation in the sport came after a difficult decision to give up gymnastics because of a bad knee.

"I was pretty devastated," Jacobson said of her departure from gymnastics, something at which she'd worked very hard for several years. "So a group of my friends threw me a surprise party to cheer me up."

DiGennaro, who had been vaulting for a year at the time,

was one of those friends. She had a practice barrel in her back yard and the two girls had played around on it. It was Diana who suggested Mirari might like to try vaulting on the real thing — a horse.

Savoring the memory of her first success, learning to stand on the horse at a trot, Diana explained, "Being able to balance on the horse is a really neat feeling. Once you get it, you have it — sort of like riding a bike, you never forget how."

Schilbach describes it as "absorbing the horse's motion."

Much of vaulting is a collaborative effort as groups of up to three kids work together to perfect "flyer-moves" such as

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PRIME TIME LIVING

By Joe King

Aloha can either mean hello or goodbye in Hawaiian, depending on which way you're headed. For Ruth Bosworth, it was a very apropos term last month.

Vacationing on Maui for a few weeks this summer, Ruth was anxious to return to Lake Park Retirement Residence, where she now lives. She wanted to get back by August 20. Why? Are you ready for this? She didn't want to miss the big Luau they were having at Lake Park.

Imagine, leaving Hawaii to attend a luau! . . . "Aloha" to Maui and "Aloha" to her waiting friends and the festivities at Lake Park. That had to be some luau!

We checked with Ron Ridley, Administrator at Lake Park, and learned that this year's Hawaiian luau was indeed a music-filled and table-filled, convivial affair.

"There was plenty of roast pig, Hawaiian chicken and pu pu (hors d'oeuvres Island style) along with fresh baked macadamia nut cookies," Ridley informed us. "So far, it's been one of this year's favorite events, judging from all the comments received."

Ruth Bosworth's opinion should carry some added worth since she was a resident in Hawaii for eight years before coming to Lake Park Retirement Residence in 1988 (after her husband, Dr. David Bosworth, passed away).

"I grew up in Oakland," Ruth said, as we chatted in her attractive and tastefully furnished fifth floor apartment at Lake Park. "I attended Roosevelt

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Ruth Bosworth in her apartment at Lake Park Retirement Residence.

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High School before it became a middle school in the '40s. Later, I attended the University of California at Berkeley majoring in history, economics and education."

Marriage to David Bosworth and raising two sons, John and David, put thoughts of an outside career on hold. "However, I've traveled to many parts of the world including Europe, Afghanistan, and Tasmania," Ruth said as we looked out of her front window toward Mt. Tamalpais lying majestically just beyond the thinning haze over downtown Oakland. "I suppose my favorite part of the world would have to be the South Pacific. I now have a granddaughter living in England, so I have an added reason to go back there."

Ruth Bosworth is busy enough at Lake Park, nevertheless. We learned that she is on the flower committee which makes the Residence's own floral arrangements - "We buy them wholesale at the Flower Market," she said. She is also on the Library Committee - "We're having Lake Park Authors' Day next month," she added. "We have seven published authors in residence here and an excellent library. We buy new books four times a year and regularly donate older ones to the Friends of the Public Library."

Wondering about all these committees, we asked. "There are 35 separate committees in our building," Ridley told us. "It's one of the things which makes Lake Park special - the amount of involvement in activities by our residents."

If Ruth Bosworth, with her busy life, is any indication, I wouldn't argue the point with Ridley. Lake Park Retirement Residence is located at 1850 Alice Street in Oakland.

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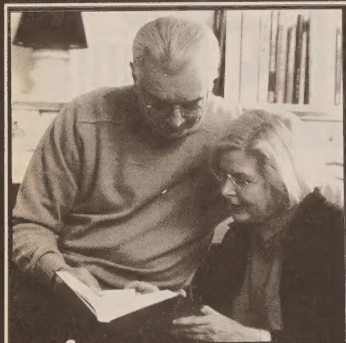
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We next paid another visit to Piedmont Gardens, an expansive and highly attractive facility located at 110 41st St. near the Oakland-Piedmont border. It has 228 Independent Living apartments and studios, 71 Assisted Living rooms and 94 Skilled Nursing facilities. 450 people are living there at present. We also learned that the Assisted Living

folks are divided into two groups - ambulatory and non-ambulatory.

Here is another facility which continuously offers its residents a variety of activities. They are presently getting ready to hold their "Special 25th Anniversary Champagne Reception."

According to Retirement Counselor Ann-Marie Meehan, this gala affair will be hosted by residents and employees who promise "An afternoon of musical entertainment, refreshments (sparkling and

otherwise) amid purple/silver trimmings and decor for residents on all levels to enjoy."

A special ceremony will honor 25 year residents Rose Shanks, Eveline Marcoux and Eleanor Jensen and ten employees who have given over 20 years of service.

"Highlights of the day's activities will include a special cake-cutting ceremony, Residents and Staff chorus, a sing-a-long led by Resident Eleanor Hunter, and the burying of a 25 year time capsule. Finally, "Bless this House" sung by the Vesper Singers will bring the afternoon to a joyous close.

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Interesting invitations and notes to ponder

We often receive notes and invitations that we cannot acknowledge, but that are of interest to us, and, I am sure, to many of you. Herewith, some of them:

The Berkeley Women's Chorus has openings in all three sections (soprano, mezzo and alto) for people who love to sing. No auditions, no training provisions, just a love of singing.

The chorus, which has been in existence for some 43 years, welcomes women of all ages. Although its name is Berkeley, it has women from all over the East Bay, Richmond, El Cerrito, Kensington, Albany and Berkeley.

The Berkeley Women's Chorus meets on Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Albany (the chorus is not affiliated with the church, but deeply appreciates being allowed to meet there).

The address is 1319 Solano Ave. in Albany. Interested women are invited to attend any Thursday morning. If more information is needed, call the director, Callie Greer, at 233-8761.

A communication from the Bullseye Training Facility, Presidio Gun Club of San Francisco, and the Bay Area competitive shooting community was a surprise.

The organization wrote about a "corporate shoot, luncheon and auction to benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation" which was held on Sept. 17. A paragraph in the letter explained the organization:

"We are a small minority of citizens who do believe in adhering to safety and respecting gun control laws.

We are also parents of very young children who are extremely concerned about accidents and violent crimes committed with the use of a firearm, accidents and crimes that may have been prevented or avoided with the proper education and supervision from responsible adults.

"With those thoughts in mind, we are holding this benefit to give back something positive to the com-

munities we live in."

A conversation with Elizabeth Q. Lee elicited the information that some members who are on the U.S. Shooting Team hope to participate in the Olympics in Atlantic City.

As one who was an excellent shot when I was young, but who now despises anything to do with guns, I find this very interesting, and promised Ms. Lee to share it with my readers.

The Peralta Community College, its advisory council and the office staff of RSVP are holding their 20th Annual Recognition Event on Oct. 7 at 12:30 p.m. at the Greek Orthodox Church of the Ascension, 4700 Lincoln Ave., Oakland. The donation for non-RSVP guests is \$16.

Kensington resident Ann Lenway is one of three people being honored by the New Israel Fund for their years of support and dedication to the fund. The event is a Guardian of Democracy Awards Dinner on Oct. 2 at the Eric Restaurant in San Francisco. Leonard Fein, writer and teacher, and founder of Moment Magazine and Mazon: A Jewish Response to Hunger, will be the speaker.

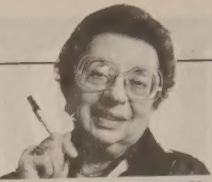
This paragraph in the invitation especially interested me: "Our honorees have requested that all proceeds raised from this event help support New Israel Fund's work in two specific areas: civil rights and the status of women."

For information, call (415) 362-5565.

Two of my favorite museums are celebrating anniversaries this fall.

The Oakland Museum is celebrating its 25th Anniversary (don't miss "Twenty-Five Years of Collecting California") and the Richmond Museum of History is celebrating 40 years.

Interestingly, the Richmond Museum's celebration (a wine and cheese tasting) will be held at Winehaven in Richmond, once the largest winery in the state. History tells of all the drunken fish that



Community Folk
By Clara-Rae Genser

came to the surface after the winery emptied its barrels when prohibition came about. That was the end of the winery, but the beautiful old brick buildings remain, and will be the site of the Oct. 23 celebration.

For more information, listen to KCRT-TV, which will be giving weekly reminders, read your local papers, or call the museum at 235-7387.

And, last, Sam Elkind, who was profiled in this column some months ago, reminds us that he is once more leading a group to London for the London Theatre Program (Jan. 4 to 17, 1995) where, and I quote: "You will meet celebrities of the British stage, see Britain's best stage shows, tour the hidden byways of London's Theatreland, and enjoy the hospitality of London's oldest actors' club."

The tour is through California State University at Fresno (Extended Education Division) and it is there you must write or call for more information: Education Bldg., Rm. 130, Fresno, CA 93740, or call (209) 278-0333.

Lots of fascinating stuff. Why don't you send me more? Please write 555 Pierce St., #443, Albany, CA 94706, or call 525-4585. If I don't acknowledge your very welcome items at once, please forgive. I travel often. But I get around to it eventually, and gratefully.

Lower smoking rates reported

There was some good news and some bad news recently for Contra Costa County as the state Department of Health Services released a report, "The Burden of Tobacco: Deaths from Smoking in California Cities."

The good news was that several of the localities included in the report, including El Cerrito, had significantly lower rates for deaths attributed to smoking. The bad news was figures for a number of other localities indicated a significantly higher rate.

"We continue to be concerned about the cigarette-related mortality rates in our communities," said Wendel Brunner, assistant health services director of public health, adding that cigarette smoking kills more people than accidents, homicides and suicides combined. But Brunner pointed out the figures released in the state report cover the period from 1981 to 1991.

"Since then, communities in our county have passed 16 strong smoking ordinances to protect the public health, and children from deadly secondhand smoke. I'm hopeful those are having an impact," he said.

The statewide mortality rate for men from cigarette-attributable diseases was 449.88 per 100,000 in 1991. In Richmond (512.10) the rates were higher than the state indicator, although only in Richmond the total number of cigarette-related deaths was large enough to produce what experts call a significant measure, but Dr. George Kaplan, chief of the Population Laboratory, which prepared the report, said they should not be discounted.

Also disturbing were the figures for women. The statewide rate for mortality was 201 per 100,000. In Richmond (228.67) the figures were higher than the state indicator, although only in Richmond the numbers were large enough to be statistically significant.

Kaplan called the overall report figures "unacceptably high."

Vault

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handstands and flip-offs. The "flyer" is the smallest of the three. The other two vaulters are called "bases." One stands on the horse's back facing forward, the other sits backward near the horse's neck. The "flyer" executes her moves between the two while depending on them to support her.

Recently, DiGennaro, who is an alternate for the Black Point Farm B team, decided to concentrate her efforts in the Individual Event which is classified as bronze, silver, and gold. In competition this event consists of a one-minute routine in which the vaulter must change moves every three canter strides. The routine is judged on its level of difficulty, composition, and the way in which the moves are connected. Each event is comprised of two elements — a kur (free style) and a compulsory. Team competition also includes both of these elements. Teams are classified as A, B, and C.

Of the many skills vaulting requires, flexibility and trust are high on the list, according to Schilbach. These were called into action this summer when both girls, along with other Black Point Farm team members, competed in the Nationals, held in Santa Cruz. With one day's notice, DiGennaro had to replace

a team member who was unable to compete. "Diana did a great job. She just went for it," Schilbach said. "The B team got 'Reserve Champion,' finishing in second place in its division." Diana placed tenth out of 60 in her compulsory.

When asked what valuable lessons she is learning from the sport, DiGennaro said, "I get to try so many new things, and I'm learning about persistence. It can take months to learn a move, and it can be frustrating. But it's really rewarding when you finally get it."

The vaulters choreograph their own routines, and choose their music with the discerning help of Schilbach. Jacobson's favorite moves are the aerial (a no-handed cartwheel) off the back of the horse, and the bridge (a backbend). Both moves are done while the horse is cantering.

At the Nationals, Jacobson finished sixth out of 30 in silver, her level. After taking into consideration those finishing in the gold division, Jacobson ranks among the top 15 vaulters in the nation. "Mirari is very determined. If she sees a move she likes, she will try her hardest to do it, even if she is afraid. She has a lot of guts," Schilbach said.

There is a good deal of comradeship and enthusiasm as the kids practice their moves on the

horse. Shouts of encouragement can be heard from ringside as teammates watch while they wait for their own turns.

"These kids learn that nothing is impossible. It takes determination, but they know they can learn to do something they never thought they could do," said Schilbach. "In vaulting, as in any team sport, the kids have to support each other and work together."

As Gumby canters past, DiGennaro and Jacobson make their mounts. Di Gennaro firmly positions herself on all fours on the horse's back, while Jacobson grips the surcingle with one arm.

She wraps her other arm around DiGennaro's waist, then moves into a shoulder-stand with legs extended high over her head. The trust and support Schilbach speaks of is in evidence as the girls perform this move with precision. So too is the message that dreams can be realized with persistence, determination, and hard work.

On Sept. 24, Black Point Farm will host Harvest Fest, a vaulting exhibition. The exhibition begins at 9 a.m. at the Sequoia Arena, north of Roberts Regional Park in the Oakland hills. Admission is free. For information call 372-3374.




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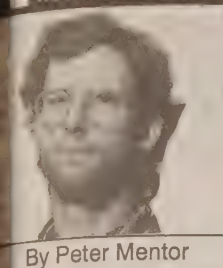
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In the Game



By Peter Mentor

Big week in sports

Each week there are games worth mentioning as special because of the great competition expected, like the 49ers-Kansas City Chiefs game two Sundays ago. This week holds a whole bunch of those matchups, although Steve and I won't be involved.

ST. MARY'S V. BISHOP O'DOWD

Saturday 1:45 p.m. at O'Dowd

Nothing needs to be said about this rivalry, because these two league rivals love to play each other, if only to knock the others' back off. This game wasn't supposed to happen, according to the Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League brain trust, so it was set up as a non-league match.

St. Mary's coach Dan Daughnessy watched O'Dowd's first week with glee. Then the Panthers survived Riordan to start off with a win the next day. Last year O'Dowd won the game against St. Mary's and coach Al Peron tossed paper on the field, a rebuttal to the word going around that the Dragons were good only on paper.

That gesture did not escape Daughnessy, and even though the coaches agreed to play each other's teams, there is some bad blood brewing for bragging rights. St. Mary's has won this game more than not, but O'Dowd has the edge. Although this game means nothing in the league standings, it means more than "just another game."

BERKELEY V. OAKLAND

Saturday 1:30 p.m. at Berkeley

This is more than a game between two high school teams — it's a match between two cities. This is Berkeley's first Saturday game on the new artificial field, and the Yellowjackets would have nothing more to do than beat the Oakland Athletic League champion Oakland High in front of a big weekend audience.

ALBANY V. MOREAU

Friday 7:30 p.m. at Moreau in Hayward

The way Moreau Catholic ranked Bishop O'Dowd the first week of the season, the Mariners are destined to be a great team. Albany running back James McKinney takes on Moreau's Todd Brooks.

The Cougars are on the rise, but they do not play O'Dowd this year. With a win over Moreau would be as good as on paper.

EL CERRITO V. PINOLE VALLEY

Friday 7:30 p.m. at Pinole Valley

Pinole Valley is ranked No. 8 in Northern California and it's easy to see why. Mike Keck's passing stats after tossing 20-of-33 for 282 yards, combined with the running ability of Jevon Bell, who scored touchdowns three of first four games he touched the ball, give this team a lot of hope for making the playoffs.

El Cerrito, a team looking for cohesion, has seen this school before when it played in the Bay Area Athletic League and a win would redeem this season for the Panthers.

MEET — ST. MARY'S, O'DOWD, PIEDMONT
Today 3:30 p.m. at Joaquin Miller Park

It's not often that half a league championship is decided in the first week of a season, but that's exactly what is happening today when St. Mary's travels to Joaquin Miller Park to take on Bishop O'Dowd and Piedmont in the Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League's first cross country meet of the season.



El Cerrito wheedles win from Kennedy

Somehow game was out of synch

By Scott Kaplan

The big rivalry between John F. Kennedy and El Cerrito appears to be in remission.

Perhaps it was the small crowd on a beautiful day, or the uniforms that didn't match, because in all honesty, something just wasn't right last Friday in Gaucholand.

Both teams struggled throughout, with El Cerrito eventually prevailing 24-12. The Gauchos had four fumbles, while the Eagles must have left their discipline in the bus, getting hit with 110 yards in penalties.

Jamaal Cotright's 23-yard touchdown reception from Charlie Lovell with 3:28 left in the fourth quarter was the decisive score.

"It (the game) was scary," said El Cerrito coach Frank Milo. "Three turnovers at the beginning didn't help us any. We just couldn't move the ball offensively; we would turn the ball over, and they came ready to play football."

Lovell completed 10 of 15 passes for 171 yards. His primary target was Cotright, who caught three passes for 65 yards. Ryon Shoemaker had two receptions for 56 yards.

On the ground, Gaucha tailback Ayodele Mitchell rushed for a team-high 51 yards. Antoine Lacy carried the ball three times after a first-quarter fumble and rushed for 17 yards, including a touchdown.

Last season, the Gauchos ran wild on JFK in a 51-6 win (277 yards rushing), but with a depleted and inexperienced offensive line, EC backs were hard pressed to get significant openings up front.

After falling behind 6-0 after a quarter, the Gauchos took the lead on the first play of the second, as Lovell hit Shuemaker on a 30-yard touchdown pass. Kennedy regained the lead later in the half at 12-8, and things remained that way until the final minutes of the game.

With the ball Kennedy's hands on fourth down from their own 20, the Eagles' Demetrius Watson was stopped shy of the first-down marker. El Cerrito then proceeded to score the game-winner on the first play following the defensive stand.

After Cotright's TD reception, El Cerrito extended its lead to 16-12 with the two-point conversion.

The rationale for Kennedy going for it on fourth was the absence of a long snapper. Along with the late predicament, the



Jeff Lindquist

Top photo: EC running back Ayodele Mitchell flees Kennedy defense; Antoine Lacy pulls down Kennedy's running back.

Eagles never punted on fourth downs.

The Gaucha defense forced a safety on JFK's next possession, and several plays after the kickoff, Lacy added an 11-yard touchdown punt.

"Without a center that can snap for punts, it leaves us in a deep hole," said Kennedy coach Mario Hill. "However dearly we cost ourselves with the penalties, that

was more important than anything else we did."

The victory improves the Gauchos to 1-1, Kennedy is 0-1. Last year, El Cerrito went 8-2; however, due to numerous losses to graduation and a tough non-league schedule, a winning season won't be easy.

Kennedy went 1-9 in 1993, and even though they showed definite

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St. Mary's, O'Dowd, Piedmont lock horns

By Peter Mentor

Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League cross country seasons usually ease their way into our consciousness, building up to a crescendo over a three-month span to peak in a final meeting of the best teams just before the regular season ends.

Anyone caught napping this week is due for a rude awakening as the three league front runners converge in a meet that should decide half the ACCAL cross country championship.

St. Mary's, Bishop O'Dowd and Piedmont are the three best boys' teams in the ACCAL, and over the past few years, for one reason or another, these running titans usually meet in the last meet of the season before the league championships.

By that time all the teams are formed, positions are sorted out, the runners are running their best and the teams are usually all undefeated.

This season the three forces come together for the first league meet of the season in cross country's version of the "Big Game" this afternoon on Piedmont's Woodminster Meadow course at Joaquin Miller Park.

At stake is half the ACCAL title, the other half coming to the winner of the league championship meet the first week in November.

O'Dowd is the favorite at this stage in the season with a close battle between St. Mary's and Piedmont anticipated for second place.

The Dragons have a tight team

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Young team represents Panthers this season

By Peter Mentor

St. Mary's cross country is moving into a new phase of younger runners, while trying to cope with the loss of its No. 1 Jordan Jarosz to graduation.

The transition is being made easier by the emergence of senior Jonevan Hornsby, who by the end of last year was challenging Jarosz for the top spot on the team.

Hornsby is not the typical cross country runner. In fact, he doesn't really enjoy the sport that much. But his love for track and desire to become a good 800-meter runner, including a possible athletic scholarship to college, is enough to drive him forward.

It is common knowledge to most distance runners that cross country is a great way to improve endurance and stamina for track. That fact, coupled with Hornsby's desire to win, pushes him to the forefront of the league in the cross country.

"He loves track," said St. Mary's cross country coach Francis Mason. "He's not crazy about cross country. We've had some athletes not do well in their senior year because they lack mental concentration, they may be prima donnas or they may not put in enough work. Jonevan is learning from what others did, some guys who have lost sight of reality."

Mason said Hornsby has the grades and SAT scores to get into any school, but he needs to cut at least a second off his 800-meter time of 1:53.39 to get top schools looking at him seriously for scholarships.

A good cross country season, coupled with his workouts over the winter as a member of the

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Football Roundup

Albany beats champion team

The Albany Cougars reached their win total of a year ago with a surprisingly easy 27-12 victory over defending Superior County Athletic League champ, John Swett.

It was a banner night in Crockett for Cougar James McKinney as the senior caught four passes out of the backfield for 141 yards. McKinney rushed for 82 yards and a touchdown. Converted from the secondary to linebacker, he had two sacks.

Cougar quarterback Burlin Germany outdueled his Indian counterpart, Scott Harrison, completing 10 of 19 passes for 200 yards. In two games, the junior has thrown for 307 yards and three touchdowns.

The highly-regarded Harrison completed 8 of 19 passes for 60 yards, behind a consistent Cougar pass-rush. Albany's defense held Swett to 99 yards from scrimmage. Their lone blemish occurred on special teams as they allowed returns of 50 and 37 yards.

"The key is our defense," said Albany coach Anthony Freeman. "I'm the defensive coach, and while I'm surrounded by offensive coaches, I stress defense daily."

John Swett jumped on the scoreboard first, as Harrison punched it in from three yards out with 8:41 left in the first quarter. Harrison didn't play last week in the season opener due to a slightly separated right shoulder.

Albany's first possession got off to an ominous start as they were hit with back-to-back penalties, moving the ball back to their own five.

On first down, Germany, under pressure, found McKinney a step ahead of his defender down the right sidelines, and the senior was off to the races. The closest anyone got to McKinney was at the 30 of John Swett, but a beautiful cutback inside left the Indian in the dust.

Tied at 6, Albany took the lead for good, marching 40 yards on five plays, with the drive culmi-

nating in a four-yard Danny Wilcox TD run. A McKinney two-point conversion gave the Cougars a 14-6 lead.

A one-yard run by Harrison made it a 14-12 game late in the first half, but another Wilcox touchdown in the third, and a 17-yard score by McKinney in the fourth, put the game on ice.

"They're playing like champs; the kids really want it," said Freeman. "To be a good team, you have to learn how to win on the road, and that's what we're doing."

Tomorrow Albany plays tough Moreau Catholic in Hayward at 7:30. The Mariners are 2-0 this season after wins against Bishop O'Dowd (34-20) and California (20-19).

St. Mary's off to winning start

The Panthers, along with cross-town rival Albany, remained the only undefeated team left in the ACCAL, with a 33-7 non-league win over Alameda.

St. Mary's (2-0) was at their predictable yet effective best Saturday, rushing for 223 yards as a team. Running back Norman Hayes carried the brunt of the duties out of the backfield and he didn't disappoint.

In just his second varsity game, Hayes rushed for a game-high 154 yards on 17 carries. Hayes is averaging 149.5 yards a contest, after he racked up 145 in the opener against Riordan.

Touchdown runs by Hayes and quarterback Jason Bivens of five and four yards respectively gave the Panthers an early 14-0 lead. After Alameda's Jeremy Castro ran for a 19-yard touchdown, Bivens returned the ensuing kickoff 90 yards for the score.

St. Mary's got on the board once in the second quarter as Sam Sims recovered an Alameda fumble on a punt attempt in the end zone.

Wide receiver Joel Young had the only score for either team in the second half with an 11-yard

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Cross-Country

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already assembled on the strength of returning senior star Alex Teekell, who placed sixth overall in Division III at the state meet last year.
O'Dowd seniors Kevin Schumacher and Leo Herrick and juniors Matt Bettinelli-Olpin and David Alderman form a solid backdrop for Teekell and the Dragons powerhouse.
St. Mary's has a lot of new runners, many of whom may develop over the season but may not be ready now.
"I don't like it," said St. Mary's coach Francis Mason of the scheduling. "That's just because we have new people on the team. It's hard to face an O'Dowd team that is more than ready, coupled with the fact that we have to run on Piedmont's course."
Mason is taking this meet very seriously. He is the meet director for the Oakland Athletic League Invitational this Saturday morning on the NCS Meet

of Champions course at Mills College, but he may pull his runners out of that meet if this one does not go well.
"I am the meet director and I have no problem pulling St. Mary's," said Mason. "If something good should happen on Thursday, we'll go to OAL. It all depends on what happens."
St. Mary's lost a top league runner in senior Jordan Jarosz, but in his place the Panthers have senior Jonevan Hornsby, a runner who could be the second best in the league behind Teekell.
Senior Cisco Schaaf is the No. 2 guy and he just ran his best time on the hilly Tilden Park course.
The rest of the mix has little experience with new faces like freshman Ben Manitas, junior Eddie Royball, sophomore Bobby Augustine and junior Sam Kolb.
Piedmont is the defending ACCAL league champion, but the Highlanders lost Mr. Cross Country

Steve Brown to graduation, and teammate Chris Wong is also history.
Four of the top five Piedmont runners on this year's squad put in miles over the summer. However, without league dominator Brown the Highlanders are scrambling for a tighter pack of runners.
"Not having Brown or Chris Wong this year, we don't have those out-front guys so we'll have to pack it in," said Piedmont coach Doyle O'Regan.
"Because we don't have the hammer with Steve Brown we have to pack the first to fifth guys within 45 seconds."
Like Mason, O'Regan has his team signed up for the OAL Invite but he sees this race Thursday as more important.
"The duel meet is important to us," said O'Regan. "This year we start right off the bat. The only thing we've got is we are running it on our course. We'll worry about Saturday after Thursday. It's a low

priority running the MOC course."
Piedmont has junior Keith Trimble and David Rhodes leading the team. Trimble is No. 4 runner on the team last year and Rhodes the fifth guy on the team and finished sixth.
Up from junior varsity are junior Andy and David Hobstetter, and both guys put in over the summer to improve for the varsity league.
The Highlanders weak spot is a No. 5, which makes the top four guys places even more important.
Mason doesn't see this meet as the end-all season, because like the other coaches he has goals set for his team.
"Regardless of what happens in the meet, two more months left in the season," said O'Regan. "The season does not end September 22. This is North Coast and trying to get to the state

Panthers

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Panther soccer team, should help Hornsby reach his goals.
Mason said Hornsby is a natural for the 1,500 in college and for a guy who doesn't like cross country all that much, the senior's two appearances in two years at the state meet says a lot. This past summer Hornsby ran in the Junior Olympics, and after a break he is ready to run cross country.
This week is a big one for Hornsby and the Panther team.
St. Mary's runs against Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League favorite Bishop O'Dowd and defending league champion Piedmont at the Highlanders' home course Woodminster meadow in Joaquin Meadow Park in Oakland this afternoon.

On Saturday the team is scheduled to run at the Oakland Invitational being held on the North Coast Section Meet of Champions championship course at Mills College.
St. Mary's is the underdog in the league meet, but the Panthers have put together a strong, yet young team for this season.
Senior Cisco Schaaf is running well in the second spot behind Hornsby. Schaaf won a low-key scrimmage meet against Berkeley at Tilden Park by running his personal best time on the hilly course in 18:53.
Schaaf won by a minute over freshman teammate Ben Manitas, who finished in 19:57 on the tough course. Manitas is part of the future of this team and the future is now for him as the third scoring runner.

Junior Eddie Royball came out of nowhere this season to take the No. 4 position. "He could be the surprise for us," said Mason of his junior Royball, who is also new to the team.
Another new runner is sophomore Bobby Augustine, who hates cross country, but like Hornsby loves track. Augustine ran a 2:05 half mile (800 meters) as a freshman last season and he is using cross country to improve on his track times.
Junior Sam Kolb played junior varsity soccer and ran track last year and although he is thin he has a lot of endurance for a first-year cross country runner. Kolb is in the fifth and final scoring position for the Panthers.
Junior Gabe Goodhart, a transfer from O'Dowd two years ago, is back for his second year on the

team, and junior Marc Miguel is also returning.
Still untested are sophomore Mike Hines, who comes over from freshman football, and junior son Torres, a skier making the transition to cross country.
And what would a St. Mary's cross country team be without a Jarosz on the squad? The Panthers won't find out for a while since freshman Jarosz is making his debut with the Panthers.
This season St. Mary's had 25 runners on the team, including 13 freshmen. Mason said numbers are extremely unusual for the team. He is happy about it. He is hoping some of those faces will have their names mentioned as scholarship recipients down the line, but for now he has the task of getting them ready for the Big Meet

Roundup

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touchdown reception. Young caught two passes for 25 yards and added an interception in the secondary. Hayes also had a pick.
"I thought Alameda did a good job hanging tough," said St. Mary's coach Dan Shaughnessy. "What really helped a lot was when we scored two off the kicking team."
For Alameda (0-2), 1994 is a rebuilding season following the graduation of Northern California's all-time rushing leader, Dan Nguyen. The Hornets also have a new coach in former Acalanes assistant

Mark Stantz.
"It's a new situation for them (Alameda)," said Shaughnessy. "Alameda's got a good fullback, some speed, and a veteran quarterback, they'll win. But that's (Stantz) his team, and I've got to worry about mine."
If indeed Shaughnessy does have a concern, it won't be complacency, as Saturday the Panthers take on Bishop O'Dowd at 1:45 in Oakland.
Berkeley scores second victory
Last Friday in Livermore the Jackets won their

second game in as many tries with a 20-14 victory over Granada.
Devin Martin was the major catalyst offensively for the Jackets, scoring two touchdowns, including a go-ahead one-yarder with 4:37 left in the third quarter. Martin rushed for 110 yards on 10 carries and is only a sophomore.
Berkeley was without standout running back J'Juan Cherry, who was suspended for the game after getting into a minor skirmish in the season opener against Overfelt.
The Berkeley defense managed to sack Granada

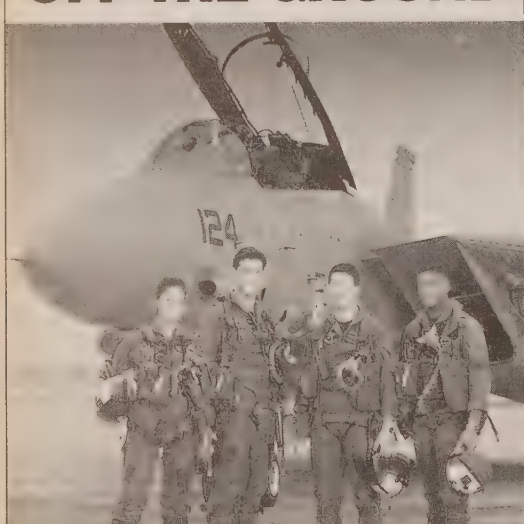
quarterback Chad Thomas seven times. Na'amea recorded four sacks for the Jackets. Gwange had a key interception late that locked things up. Granada, who held a 14-12 halftime lead, blanked in the game's final 24 minutes. Tom scored both of the host's touchdowns.
Saturday, Berkeley goes for 3-0 as they take on Oakland at 1:30 p.m.
"It's going to be tough for us next week," said Jacket assistant coach John Gradwohl. "Granada has talent, and we're excited about playing them. It should be a high-intensity game."

El Cerrito

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signs of improvement Friday, things remain sticky after their best player last season, Aaron Mouton, transferred to De Anza.
It shouldn't go without mention that highlights from the game Friday were shown on KICU Channel 36 at 11 p.m. as a part of their weekly one-hour prep sports show.
For El Cerrito, the win is a tune-up for a 7:30 p.m. contest at Pinole Valley High. The teams used to play each other on an annual basis before the Gauchos left the Bay Valley Athletic League two years

ago. Pinole, under the tutelage of coach Jim Erickson, is 1-1 after dropping a 48-27 affair to James Logan in Union City. The Spartans are led by the quarterback-receiver tandem of Mike Keck and Donte Saulsberry (a transfer from De Anza).
The 6-foot-4 Keck has already thrown for over 600 yards. Last week, Saulsberry caught three touchdown passes. On defense, the Spartans are led by defensive back Jevon Bell, regarded by many as one of the top juniors in the state.
In 1994, the Spartans went 11-2 and finished second in the North Coast Section Division 3A

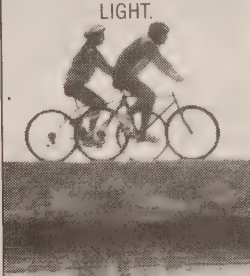
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Hiller Country Club is back in action



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When it happened, few foresaw the good things that would emerge from the Oakland/Berkeley hills fire. One of those gains is the beautifully rebuilt Hiller Highlands Country Club located at 101 Hiller Drive. Originally designed in the late '60s, the non-profit club was, along with its neighbors, burnt to the ground when the fire swept through the hills. Club president Robin Mickle, himself a Hiller Highland resident, remembers how two women saved their lives by staying in the outdoor pool with wet towels draped over their heads until rescuers responded to their S.O.S. sign — created from pool furniture!

The club reopened in May and memberships are still available. For swimmers, the pool stays open 363 days a year. It's primarily geared for lap swim, but there's also a section set aside for play.

The greatly expanded weight training room is a response to membership requests. Members are currently being surveyed for the type of classes — aerobics or yoga, for example — that they want the club to offer.

For those who like company with their sports, there are three tennis courts and a nine-hole, three-par golf course, all commanding spectacular views of San Francisco and the Golden Gate Bridge.

The club isn't short on social activities either. The Spyglass Room is the members' lounge. The wood-beamed Fireside Room, complete with grand piano, can be rented for weddings or parties.

Mickle is particularly proud of the handicapped access indoors and out. There's a wheelchair lift at the pool and an elevator in the main lobby. Two parking spaces are set aside for handicapped use.

Hiller Highlands Country Club membership is open to everyone. Call 849-0743 for more information.



Tim Palmer, left, and Robin Mickle pose on the deck overlooking the club's swimming pool and one of its three tennis courts.

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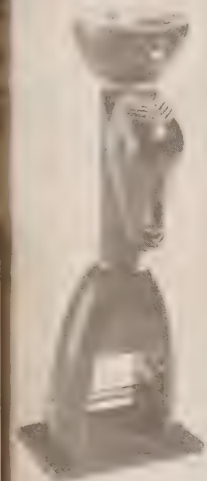
East Bay Events This Week



Ron Thiele and Joy Gim in 'Carmina Burana.'

Oakland Ballet opens 1994 season with 'Our Town' and 'Carmina Burana'

Oakland Ballet opens its season this week with ballets based on two popular works from other genres. Carl Orff's secular oratorio *Carmina Burana*, based on a collection of bawdy 13th-century songs, was choreographed by the late John Butler. Music will be provided by the Oakland Symphony Chorus directed by Michael Morgan. Thornton Wilder's play *Our Town* has been choreographed by Emily Keeler with music by Richard Beggs; these are its premiere performances. The program will be performed at 8 p.m. tonight, tomorrow and Saturday, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, at the Paramount Theatre, 2025 Broadway, Oakland. Tickets are \$8 to \$32; call 465-6400 or 762-BASS.



A fake Heddle pulley, supposedly from Ivory Coast, part of an exhibit at UC's Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology.

Exhibit of faux African art at UC

As museums and collectors of African art increase their knowledge about the material culture of tribal Africa, the fakers of African art are mastering the finer points of reproducing masks, sculpture and other objects, many so skillfully made that they deceive even experts.

An exhibit containing both genuine and spurious examples of African art, some of the latter costing buyers thousands of dollars, is in the lobby of the Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology at UC-Berkeley through Jan. 8.

Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Wednesday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday; and noon to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$2 (\$1 seniors, 50¢ children); free on Thursday.

The museum is in Kroeber Hall, at the intersection of College Avenue and Bancroft Way in Berkeley. Call 643-7648 or 642-3681 for more information.

Fall plant sale at UC botanical garden

The UC-Berkeley Botanical Garden holds its fall plant sale from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. Among the offerings are native and non-native perennials, rock garden plants, palms, shrubs, herbs, cacti, vines, trees, orchids, ferns and rhododendrons, as well as books and gifts. The garden is on Centennial Drive, east of the UC stadium. Call 642-3343 for details.

Terry Sendgraff expresses dreams in dance

Terry Sendgraff, known as the founder of Women Walking Tall (a dance troupe of women on stilts), will perform a new work called "Night and Day Dreaming." The work integrates nighttime dreams and daytime experiences. It features music and sound by Gwen Jones and the drumming of Al Wunder.

Performances are at 8 p.m. tomorrow and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday at Open Arts Circle, 530 East Eighth St., Oakland. Admission is \$12 (\$8 seniors/children); 832-1102.



Terry Sendgraff performs Friday through Sunday.

More events

Mom seeks murderer in East Bay hills

■ A housewife in the fictional town of Walnut Hills drinks Peets coffee and tracks a murderer.

MURDER AMONG NEIGHBORS by Jonnie Jacobs (Kensington Books, \$18)

By Barbara L. Sloane

Murder is afoot in Kate Austen's neighborhood. Kate, the heroine in Jonnie Jacobs' first mystery novel, lives among neighbors who may seem familiar to many readers in the East Bay hills.

In fact, Jacobs' description of Kate's fictional hometown is apt to prompt immediate recognition of one or more similar nearby enclaves.

Books

"Walnut Hills is your basic affluent suburban community—quiet, insulated and a tad self-righteous. Located over the hills, just east of Oakland and Berkeley, it's close enough so that those of us who live there can easily hop in to buy freshly baked baguettes and Peet's coffee, and on occasion even journey across the bay to San Francisco for an evening of opera and four-star dining."

Orinda? Lafayette? Moraga? Or possibly even Piedmont or Montclair? The actual location is unimportant, but what does matter is that Jonnie Jacobs, a Piedmont resident, knows the neighborhoods and occupants she writes about in *Murder Among Neighbors*.

Kate Austen is no detective. A young, pregnant mother whose husband Andy has run off to Europe to "find himself," she lives on the fringes of Walnut Hills society. Her friends are the other young mothers from daughter Anna's preschool and her neighbors.

Kate's home in a former carriage house places her in close proximity to the scene of a terrible murder, that of her wealthy next-door neighbor, Pepper Livingston.

The beautiful Pepper is, in Kate's words, "one of the movers and shakers of the Walnut Hills social set—president of the Benevolent Guild, social chairman at the club, director of Sunshine House, head of the Save Our Hills Action Committee, that sort of thing—and from what I hear, a wonderful hostess. One of those people always on the go, yet never frazzled or annoyed."

Now Pepper has been strangled, and Kate finds herself drawn into the search for her killer.

And also drawn into a romantic association with Lt. Michael Stone of the Walnut Hills Police Department.

As clues begin to spring up, the list of suspects grows. Is the murderer Pepper's husband, Robert, who may have learned of an affair she was having? Or could it be the neighbor with whom Pepper was sleeping? What about the mysterious young gardener who appears at Pepper's funeral? Perhaps the guilty person is Jake Turbino, a character out of Pepper's past, a past far more checkered than anyone in Walnut Hills imagined.

Is it possible that Burt McGregory hated Pepper's resistance to his land-development plans enough to cause her death? And who is the man in the blue Jeep Cherokee parked behind Mrs. Stevenson's oleander bush?

As in any good mystery novel, all of the suspects appear to be likely prospects at one point or another. Not to mention the other neighbors who are apparently innocent of motive or method.

Throughout the numerous twists and turns of the cleverly constructed plot, Kate struggles with her own feelings. Uncertainty as to her future with her absent husband. Fear for the safety of herself and Anna. Resistance to her growing emotional attachment to Michael.

Her mainstay is best friend Daria Wilkins, her employer in an art gallery, who encourages



Kate's speculations as to the cause and perpetrator of Pepper's death.

Jonnie Jacobs has peopled *Murder Among Neighbors* with a

large cast of believable characters. This is a novel rich in dialogue, and Jacobs has a keen ear for the way a person talks in different situations: mother to

daughter, friend to friend, lover to lover. The conversations are witty and real.

Kate Austen is a warm, appealing central character, one who has a delightful sense of humor, even in the midst of a troubled life. She comes across as a loving mother, a thoughtful friend and neighbor, and a passionate lover.

Who is the man in the blue Jeep Cherokee parked behind Mrs. Stevenson's oleander bush?

She doesn't do too badly in the detective business either, although her last-minute deduction of the murderer's identity leads to a nail-biting climax for readers.

Murder Among Neighbors is an impressive first novel, and Jacobs is a welcome addition to the long list of female authors in the mystery genre.

Although Pepper's murder is solved, the novel's ambiguous ending leaves us awaiting the next Kate Austen mystery. Which I'm pleased to announce Jonnie Jacobs assures us is forthcoming next summer.

What is Jonnie Jacobs up to?

By Ronnie Caplane

For several years the only Piedmont neighborhood mystery was, What is Jonnie Jacobs up to? She was always too busy for coffee, lunch or tennis, but no one knew what she did at home all day. When asked outright, Jacobs was vague. People started getting suspicious.

"My friends wondered if I was having an affair," Jacobs said.

Finally, her friends and the rest of the world learned her secret. Jacobs had been holed up in the bedroom writing a murder mystery.

"I didn't want to admit that I was indulging in a fantasy when it might not turn out to be productive," said Jacobs explaining why she waited until she had a firm commitment from a publisher before disclosing her new venture.

She didn't even tell her mother what she was up to.

Her concern was for naught. One week after mailing query letters, an agent called. She loved the story outline and wanted to see the manuscript. Two weeks later, Jacobs had a contract, and *Murder Among Neighbors* was being marketed to publishing houses.

That was in the summer of 1992. This September the book was published. An almost-unheard-of sequence for a previously unknown author.

Publication of *Murder Among Neighbors* marks the first success of Jacobs' fourth career. She started as a high school counselor and English teacher. When Proposition 13 cutbacks cost her her job, Jacobs followed the trend of the '70s and went to law school.

After graduating from Boalt Hall, she worked for the San Francisco law firm of Brobeck, Phleger and Harrison. Six years and two children later, she decided she wanted to see more of her family than a high-powered law practice allowed. So Jacobs embarked on career No. 3—full-time mother, wife and school volunteer.

Although publication of *Murder Among Neighbors* marks the first time Jacobs has gone public with her writing—



For Jonnie Jacobs, writing is a fourth career.

even her husband, Rod, had to wait until the book was in print to read it—it is not her first try at writing. For years she wrote short stories and sketches for her own enjoyment. There's also a first book which, although well-received by agents, was never published. It was not of a marketable genre, Jacobs was told.

Those rejections were the catalyst. She signed up for a one-day U.C. Extension course taught by Sisters in Crime. There was the answer. It had everything. People she liked and a marketable product.

Ten months later, *Murder Among Neighbors* was written.

Although it's set in the fictional town of Walnut Hills, local readers will identify many familiar East Bay landmarks. The protagonist, Kate Austen, is a suburban housewife with a 4-year-old daughter and a baby on the way. The victim is her next-door neighbor, which is why she gets involved in the murder investigation.

"[Kate Austen] gets involved just like any of us might," Jacobs explains. Austen is neither a P.I. nor a police officer, just an ordinary mother and homemaker.

Even though her characters are everyday people, don't expect to recognize any of them. Jacobs insists that they are composites of many people she has known and that no one is identifiable.

Since completing *Murder Among Neighbors* in June 1992, Jacobs has written two other books. Her next book is *Murder Among Friends*, which also fea-

tures Kate Austen and will be published in June.

In February 1996, Jacobs' third mystery, which introduces new characters, will be published.

An incidental benefit of Jacobs' fourth career is that it blends perfectly with family life.

She writes during the day while her sons are at school, and each book has been completed between September and June.

She has summers, afternoons and evenings off to be with her family.

Jacobs' husband and sons, Matthew, 14, and David, 11, are reveling in her success. Only the author herself is having some trouble with her new image.

"I still have trouble telling people with a straight face that I'm a writer," Jacobs says.

Maybe that's because success hasn't changed her life. She still buys groceries, drives car pools and volunteers at the school. But, Jacobs freely admits, success did save her life. Had this venture failed, she would have had to go back to work, probably to the practice of law.

Anyone interested in meeting Piedmont's newest author can do so at any of her upcoming book signings and readings scheduled at various locations throughout the Bay Area during September, October and November.

This afternoon, Jacobs will be at Lafayette Books, 3579 Mount Diablo Blvd., Lafayette, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

East Bay Events continued



Don Friedman



Clive Swansbourne

A week of pianists at the Maybeck

The Maybeck Recital Hall features three pianists this week, two jazz artists and a classical one. On Sunday at 4 p.m., **Don Friedman** and **Dick Whittington** present a two-piano jazz concert. "Since the late 1950s, Don Friedman has worked and recorded with most of New York's major jazz artists, including Joe Henderson, Michael Brecker and Charles Lloyd."

On Wednesday at 8 p.m., **Clive Swansbourne** will perform Bach's Goldberg Variations and Partita No. 1. Swansbourne won first prize in the 1988 Concerts Atlantique International Competition.

Each concert is \$20. The Maybeck is at 1537 Euclid Ave., Berkeley. Call 848-3228 for reservations.

Oakland Museum's birthday party

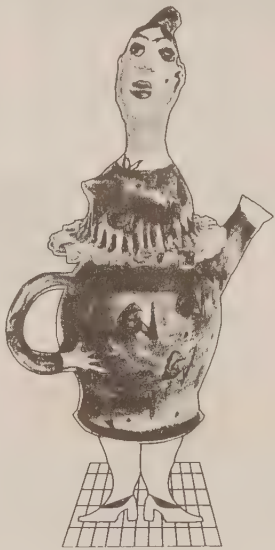
The **Oakland Museum** celebrates its 25th birthday from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday with a party featuring Native American gambling games, lion dancers from the **Wu Shu Troupe**, California trivia questions, raffle prizes, African-American circle games and the funk-blues-rap music of **Mo'fessionals**. **Bob Sarlette** is master of ceremonies. **Pete Escovedo** and his band will perform.

Admission is free to all galleries, including the new exhibit "25 Years of Collecting California."

The museum is at 1000 Oak St., Oakland. Call 238-3401 for more details.

Von Stade sings in school benefit

Superstar mezzo-soprano **Frederica von Stade** sings a recital Sunday as a benefit for St. Joseph's Notre Dame High School. The recital is at 3 p.m. Sunday at St. Joseph Basilica, 1109 Chestnut St., Alameda. Von Stade will be joined by **Marilyn Horne** and the **St. Joseph Notre Dame Student Chorus**. Tickets are \$30 (or \$100 for concert plus reception with von Stade). Call 814-7143 for reservations.



Whimsical teapots

The teapots of Russian ceramist **Julia Kirillova** blur the line between functional vessels and sculpture. They reflect the Russian tradition of decorating tea services with figures of people, animals and scenes from everyday life. Kirillova's work is displayed beginning Monday at the Collector's Gallery at the Oakland Museum, 1000 Oak St., Oakland. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday to Friday; 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Call 834-2296 for details.

Quilt lecture

Ruth McDowell, who has created more than 250 quilts, will show slides of her work and discuss design and construction techniques. The slide lecture takes place at the meeting of the **East Bay Heritage Quilters**, at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the First Unitarian Church, Kensington. Admission \$3. Call 527-7732 for details.

Concert of Bach violin music

S.F. Symphony violinist **Paul Brancato** accompanied by a harpsichordist will perform music of J.S. Bach, including the Partita in D Minor for Solo Violin, in a benefit to support music programs in Berkeley public schools. The recital is at 8 p.m. Sunday at New Pieces, 1597 Solano Ave., Berkeley. Admission \$8 (\$6 seniors/students). 527-6779.



Mark Lenhart

Bimbetta explores 17th-century Spain

The Baroque music ensemble **Bimbetta** explores the music of 17th-century Spain in a concert titled "Matadoral" at 8 p.m. Saturday at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. The ensemble of three sopranos, a cellist and a harpsichordist will perform works by **Marin, Cabanilles** and **Selma y Salaverde**. Tickets are \$16 (\$14 seniors). Call 528-1725 for more information.



The aristocrats of 19th-century England try to decide whether Caraboo is an Eastern princess or a fraud, in 'Princess Caraboo'

Caraboo: The charm of a mysterious stranger

An exotic waif worms her way into society in 19th-century England.

By Renata Polt

Despite laws making begging a crime, homeless people and beggars occupy every street corner, while the rich fawn on royalty and squander fortunes on lavish entertainments.

The Bay Area, 1994?

Movies

No — Bristol, England, 1817. It's the setting for Michael Austin's *Princess Caraboo*, a sly and witty new film starring Americans Kevin Kline, Phoebe Cates and John Lithgow, as well as Stephen Rea (Ireland), Wendy Hughes (Australia) and Jim Broadbent (England).

If the similarity to our own time can readily be inferred, it's hardly the main point of this enchanting picture, which raises issues of identity and truth as well as telling an engrossing story — a mystery, really — based on fact. What more do you want?

As the film opens, a young

woman has been jailed for vagrancy, a hanging offense. Dressed in a turban, trousers, a loose skirt and padded jacket, she's apparently some sort of foreigner — but what kind? A Greek? A Turk? Worst of all, a gypsy?

Taken in by the wealthy Mrs. Worrell (Wendy Hughes, of *Newsfront* and *My Brilliant Career*), a naive but kind person who's ready to think the best of everyone, the young woman indicates that her name is something like "Caraboo," and that she is a princess who has escaped from enslavement by British sailors.

Her graceful movements, like those of a Balinese dancer, and exotic rites (she climbs to the top of a cupola, chanting and banging a gong) certainly suggest far-off origins. On the other hand, could she be a clever charlatan?

Journalist John Gutch (Stephen Rea of *The Crying Game*) smells a rat — and a good story. In the process of trying to discover the truth, he falls in love with the princess — or whatever she is.

So does Oxford's professor Wilkinson (John Lithgow), who comes to investigate the linguistic puzzle presented by Caraboo and

stays to admire. The Greek butler, Frixos (Kevin Kline, in long sideburns and mustache and using one of his marvelous accents), maintains his skepticism, until he discovers what appears to be proof of Caraboo's exotic provenance.

Others have a more pecuniary interest. The loutish Mr. Worrell, a banker of dubious honesty, sees being host to an authentic princess as a boon to his business ventures.

Eventually, the upper classes, far from scorning this "foreigner," as they did when she first appeared, recognize her as a social asset. She becomes the belle of an extravagant ball, attracting the attention of the prince regent.

The mystery in *Princess Caraboo*, of course, is: Is she or isn't she? But the film gently raises a bunch of additional points relating to honesty, appearances and the relations between the classes in 19th-century England (and elsewhere). If the lower classes are prone to thievery and perhaps fraud, the light-fingered, obnoxious aristocracy are hardly any better.

While not as extravagant as a

Merchant-Ivory production, *Princess Caraboo* is terrific. The scenes, film Britain's noted Freddie Gray are set mostly indoors. Costumes and furnishings (look for the made of shells) keep you busy all the time.

Traditional opener for Berkeley Symphony

In a change of pace, Kent Nagano made Mendelssohn the center of his season opener.

By Don McConnell

The Berkeley Symphony opened its season Sept. 13 with the least adventurous program I can remember from this group. The composers were Mendelssohn, Prokofiev and Schnittke, and the works by the first two are among their best known.

Orchestra

Also unusually, we didn't hear a word from music director Kent Nagano, though maybe he realized there was no point in competing with Berkeley mayor Jeffrey Leiter. Leiter, a former president of the symphony, began the evening by reading a resolution from the Berkeley City Council declaring Sept. 13 Berkeley Symphony Orchestra Day.

With Leiter's BSO presidency a thing of the past and his mayoralty coming to an end, this effervescent personality may soon be without a public outlet, which will be a shame.

The pre-concert publicity (including the press packets handed to reviewers on the evening of the concert) began the program with Schnittke's *Praeludium: In Memoriam Dmitri Shostakovich* and Prokofiev's Piano Concerto No. 3, followed after intermission by Mendelssohn's Symphony No. 3 ("Scottish").

In the event, the two halves of the evening were switched—a good idea since the Scottish, luscious and familiar as it is, can

also be mighty soporific.

Nagano is quickly becoming an international superstar (many besides Herb Caen thought he should have been named music director of the S.F. Symphony instead of Tilson Thomas). Yet I've often wondered if his reputation would be so stellar if it were not based on performances of music that nobody else has ever performed.

That suspicion has been reinforced by a few spotty performances of orchestral classics with the BSO. He sometimes seems to have little clue how to sew together the episodic works of romantics like Schumann.

His performance of the Scottish alternately reinforced and erased the suspicion. In the first movement, it seemed as if tempo was determined by volume—the louder the music, the faster it was played.

The second and third movements, though, were beautifully paced. The second had a rapturous quality that was new to my experience of the piece. The third was taken fairly fast—a good idea in a movement that can seem endless. The fourth movement was stirring, and the whole piece was beautifully played by the orchestra.

Schnittke's memorial to Shostakovich is a very brief piece for two violins, with the second violin entering only for the last half minute or so. The program's description of the piece was daunting (it contained motives whose note names represent both Shostakovich and Bach, that is, using German note names and then shortening "Es" (E-flat) to "S," and so on).

But Schnittke managed to overcome the intellectual struc-

tures and produce a moving little piece that reminded one of Shostakovich's music in its bleak sorrow. Concertmaster Yukiko Kanai was the excellent soloist. The second violin was placed at the back of the balcony, and its sound was faint as an echo.

Nagano's wife Mari Kodama was soloist in the Prokofiev concerto, a work the two have recently recorded with the Philharmonia Orchestra. On the basis of their performance here, it would be hard to recommend the CD (particularly competing with classic performances like Graffman's and Cliburn's).

There were wonderful moments, but they didn't add up to a coherent performance. Kodama played some parts with a gentility that was interesting, lovely and vaguely out of place in this percussive music. At other points, she became more mechanical than most performers, with stunning results.

She has a number of unsettling mannerisms—lifting her hands far above the keyboard (better known as dove catching) and, far more disturbing, jumping to her feet as she slams her hands down for loud chords.

The theme and variations were the most effective; the finale was up to speed but often lacked force. Nagano let her down horribly in that movement: At the return of the grand theme, he slowed the tempo so much it sagged, and the piece's climax was lost. The race to the end was taken at lightning speed, providing an electric finish.

All evening long, the orchestra seemed in great shape, making the difference between a first-rate civic orchestra and a world-class one hard to define.



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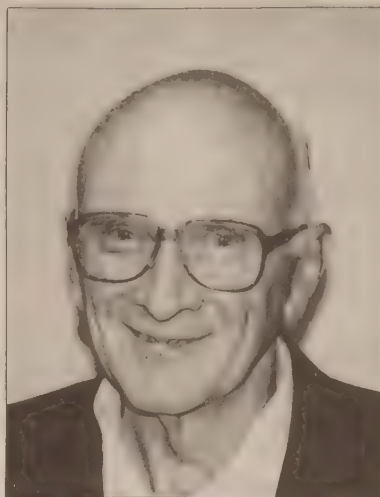
Digitized photography exhibit on display

In an attempt to stay current with the exploding computer digital imaging field as it relates to photography, Refractions Exhibition Space for Photography announces that its current photographic exhibit features the computer-rendered color and black and white images done by Larry Chapman.

"Computer-Rendered Photographic Images" opened Monday, Sept. 19, and runs until Saturday, Oct. 29 p.m. Chapman resides in El Cerrito.

Chapman's extensive traveling and his interest in photography provided ample opportunity to record his adventures on 35mm transparencies. Selected transparencies were then digitized onto a Kodak Photo CD and then were "manipulated" on a Mac Performa 600 through the use of Adobe Photoshop software. The printing was done initially on a StyleWriter II ink jet printer in greyscale, i.e., in black and white.

Larry Chapman will be at Refractions Exhibition Space for Photography on Saturday, Sept. 24, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. The public is invited to come and meet the artist and to view and discuss his work with him. Refractions Exhibition Space for Photography is located at 600 San Pablo Ave., #105, Albany 94706. Space hours are Monday to Friday, noon to 6 p.m.,



Larry Chapman

and on Saturday from noon to 5 p.m., and closed on Sunday. The phone is 527-8664.

Concert series opening in Albany

Hausmusik is launching its eighth season with Early Music at Saint Alban's.

Hausmusik was created to serve the desire of many music lovers in the Bay Area to experience chamber music in small, intimate settings. The purpose is to recreate the ambience in which much 14th through 18th century music was performed—at court, in small chapels, or in the drawing rooms of private homes, for family, friends and patrons.

The concert series presents a varied cast of performers drawn from the wide pool of early music talent in the Bay Area. Each of the concerts features a different theme, spanning the late Middle Ages through the 18th century, and includes readings from the various periods to put the music in historical context.

Response from the community has been very positive, and

Hausmusik offers its eighth season of concerts in the parish hall of St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Albany, an intimate yet acoustically live room reminiscent of an English manor house. Hausmusik offers six evenings of medieval, renaissance, baroque, classical, traditional and non-traditional chamber music in a congenial setting complete with favorite beverages and gourmet delicacies.

The first concert, "An evening at Vaux Hall Gardens," music from

the English pleasures of the 18th century with music by Hyden, Beethoven, Arne and others will be Sat., Oct. 1. Concerts will also be held Dec. 10, Jan. 14, March 4, April 1 and May 20.

Concerts sell out early, and advance ticket orders are recommended.

To be placed on the mailing list or for further information contact Eileen Hadidian, 1060 Solano Ave., #517, Albany 94706. Phone 524-5661.

Group celebrates 30 years

The Albany Chapter 539 of Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) celebrated its 30th anniversary this week with an open house held Monday. The support group, with approximately 45 members, meets

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OUT and ABOUT
By Frosene Phillips

Bagel lovers that fly the friendly skies will be pleased to learn the cinnamon raisin, blueberry and plain bagel have arrived on Northwest Airlines. Northwest has adopted a program of carrying local, high quality fare from well-known suppliers. Noah's Bagels began supplying the airline last month and, according to owner and founder Noah Alper, the response has been great. "I've been hearing from people who are used to getting their Noah's bagels in our stores or from their local cafe, and are just delighted to get them on their flight," says Alper.

In addition to bringing a taste of New York to the air, Noah's is available at 15 Northern California locations as well as restaurants, grocery stores and delis. Recently, the Berkeley location on Telegraph Avenue received recognition from the Berkeley Architectural Heritage Association for outstanding exterior tile work. This, coupled with the installation of a new neon sign, has enhanced the neighborhood and been well received. Stop by, enjoy your favorite bagel, and see this red and blue, 15 foot 40" inspiration for yourself.

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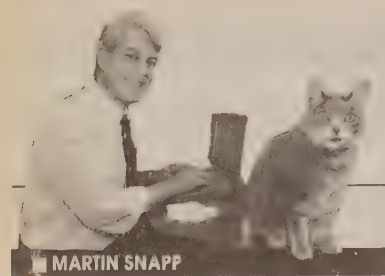
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MARTIN SNAPP

Toto, I Have A Funny Feeling We're Not In Berkeley Anymore: What do the Wizard of Oz, Dr. Seuss, and The Bible have in common? They've all been pulled from library shelves somewhere in this country in the past year, due to political pressure.

The pressure comes from both the politically correct crowd on the left and the self-appointed ayatollahs of the radical right. And it's coming closer to home than you think.

Among the victims:
Hansel and Gretel: banned in the Mount Diablo School District because it "teaches children that it is acceptable to kill witches."

My Friend Flicka: pulled from the fifth and sixth grade optional reading lists in the Clay County, Fla., schools because it uses the word "bitch" to refer to a female dog.

The Diary of Anne Frank: banned by the Alabama State Textbook Committee because "it's a real downer."

The Rabbits' Wedding: banned in the Orlando, Fla., schools because one of the rabbits is white and the other rabbit is black. To quote: "As soon as you pick up the book and open the pages, you'll realize these rabbits are integrated."

Of Mice and Men: removed from the Chattanooga, Tenn., summer youth reading program because "Steinbeck is known to have an anti-business attitude."

Where's Waldo? banned in Saginaw, Mich., and East Hampton, N.Y., because if you look really, really, *really* closely, you'll find a topless woman in the "Waldo at the beach" scene.

The Bible: banned in Fairbanks, Alaska, for being "obscene and pornographic" and in Harrisburg, Pa., for being "inappropriate for children."

The American Heritage Dictionary: banned in Church Hill City, Tenn., because it "has lots of dirty words."

One Hundred Years Of Solitude: purged from the book list at Wasco, Calif., Union High School, for being "garbage being passed off as literature." (If so, it sure fooled members of the Nobel Prize Committee. They gave author Gabriel Garcia-Marquez the 1982 Nobel Prize for Literature.)

Little House on the Prairie: banned in Thibodaux, La., for being "offensive to Indians." (Speaking of being offensive, aren't you supposed to call them Native Americans?)

The Wizard of Oz: banned in Church Hill, Tenn., because it "indoctrinates students in secular habits and beliefs."

The Grapes of Wrath: removed as an optional reading assignment at Cummings High School in Burlington, N.C., because "My son is being raised in a Christian home and this book takes the Lord's Name in vain."

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs: banned in De Vol, Fla., because of "graphic violence."

Doris Day — Her Own Story: removed from the Anniston, Ala., High School library due to its "shocking contents." (Doris Day?)

And on and on and on, including "Tom Sawyer," "Huckleberry Finn," "To Kill a Mockingbird," "Death of a Salesman," "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," "Slaughterhouse-Five," "Catcher in the Rye," "A Doll's House," "Catch-22," "Spoon River Anthology," "The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin," "Song of Solomon" (both the Biblical and the Toni Morrison versions), and Mother Goose.

Even Garfield the cat is feeling the cold breath of the censor. "Garfield's Nine Lives" was moved to the adult section of the Saginaw, Michigan, public library after a handful of parents requested that children be denied access.

And in a classic case of life imitating art, the hit list also includes "Fahrenheit 451," Ray Bradbury's sci-fi novel about book burning. It wasn't actually banned in Irvine, Calif. It was just distributed to the students with scores of words — mostly "hell" and "damn" — blacked out with felt-tip pens.

And don't forget, it was only a few years ago that the Oakland school board wrangled for nine straight months before finally giving grudging approval to Alice Walker's "The Color Purple."

It would be funny if it weren't so scary. The question is: What can we do about it?

Stand up and be counted, for one thing. Next Thursday, Sept. 29, the Berkeley Public Library is inviting citizens to participate in a public reading of some of these banned books. It'll be on the side lawn, on Kittredge Street, from noon until 7 p.m.

I'll be one of the early readers, around 12:15. (My selection: "The Lorax," by Dr. Seuss, which was banned in Laytonville, Calif., because it "criminalizes the logging industry.")

I hope you'll be there, too. Let's show these yahoos that we're mad as hell... I mean H-E-double toothpicks.

And we're not going to take it anymore.

Martin Snapp's column appears every Thursday in The Journal. Phone Martin at 273-9543. Or E-mail him at Snapp@BMUG.org. AOL address: CATMAN 666.

Tri-City Safety Day at El Cerrito Plaza

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The 11th annual Tri-City Safety Day will take place this Saturday, Sept. 24, at El Cerrito Plaza, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event's been a popular one with families in El Cerrito, Kensington and Albany. It's also a good example of communities working together.

"Safety Day is designed as an educational event in public safety," said El Cerrito Fire Department engineer Tim Murphy, who's been in charge of coor-

inating the event for all three cities for the past three years. "It also contributes to our (community) interaction as we bring all the agencies together."

Though Richmond is not a co-sponsor, for example, that city does participate in several ways. Among them this year will be a DARE program information table and the Richmond Hazardous Materials Vehicle.

The Red Cross will participate by bringing its most updated ambulance for everyone to see; a county helicopter will be among the other emergency vehicles on display, including police and fire apparatus.

Kids enjoy checking out the safety vehicles and also receive fire hats and meet McGruff the Dog, Smokey the Bear and Sparky the Fire Dog.

Other events include police K-9 dog demonstrations, first aid and CPR information, regional fire safety videos, a jaws of life demonstration, quake safety information and an opportunity for children's fingerprints.

The event is free and is sponsored by the Cerrito and Kensington Fire Departments, the El Cerrito Plaza Merchants Association,

Home composting workshops being offered

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — Local residents have the opportunity to receive two hours of basic instruction in home composting at one of three workshops being offered by the city of El Cerrito's Recycling Center. Two Saturday choices (Sept. 24 and Oct. 22 at 9:30 a.m.) are offered, as well as a Tuesday evening class (Nov. 1, 7 p.m.). A \$5 donation per family is requested.

"Home composting is recycling the natural way," said Todd Sutton, who will teach the classes. "It's fun, it's easy, and it's recycling."

"You can turn those leaves, grass clippings and kitchen scraps into a valuable soil amendment. Whether

your soil is sandy or 'clay-y', compost is the secret to its improvement."

Sutton works for Contra Costa County, staffing its recycling hotline. His composting workshops, however, are a side interest; he is hired as a private consultant and has conducted the same programs for the city of Benicia and throughout the county, including for the Central Sanitation District.

The classes have been popular, with as many as 40 attendees participating.

Sutton likes to offer a hands-on class, one that illustrates composting with red worms and gives practical tips on how to use bins. He calls the class a lecture and lab combination. Participants go outside and as-

semble a small compost pile, layering it to show how the piles are best assembled. He uses a wire cage to show how everything can be easily seen.

"The lab portion reinforces what we've been discussing," he said. As far as Sutton is concerned, composting can be a useful recycling method for those who live in apartments. He also has information available on how those who have larger properties can be addressed with composting.

Advanced reservations are recommended for workshops, though drop-in attendance will be available. Registrations should be mailed to the El Cerrito Recycling Center, 7501 Schell Blvd. (mail: 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito).

Green

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tal to the park. It is not a water-oriented or recreational use for families and children," she said.

Holan said passage of Measure F would be a social disaster creating an "explosion of Gamblers Anonymous chapters."

"Measure F forever changes the waterfront to an auto-intensive gambling zone. It is a short-term revenue fix with long term negative impacts," she said.

Former councilmember Bill Cain, speaking against the cardroom which he said would be the size of 104 Albany houses, cited crime statistics in Emeryville, the longtime site of a card room, and projected a 4.4 percent rise in Albany crime if voters approve a card room.

"While the bulk of the money will come from affluent people, it will be the poor and additive who support the card room," he said. Cain advised the audience to "look regionally" for the social impacts of cardroom gaming.

The question of whether Measure F is consonant with the underlying principles espoused by the Green

Party concerned party members.

"This is not creative enough for Greens. I want to see more options," one member said. "This is not a Green solution to the problem," said another.

"A Yes vote is an incremental step toward what Albany should be," said City Councilmember Bruce Mast in reply to their concerns.

"We can talk about long term solutions when the Ladbroke lease expires in 2020."

"A No doesn't mean that there will be no gambling or that the race track will go away," Mast said.

Fields described the city as under "severe financial stress."

"Two hits from the state reduced the city's per-dollar share of property tax revenues from 26 cents to 19 cents equalling a half-million dollars a year," he said.

To make up for falling revenues in several areas, the city has raised fees and reduced expenses but still faces a current deficit of \$600,000 which could rise to as much as \$1.2 million by fiscal 1997-98 if present conditions persist.

Council

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monitor the illegal sale of cigarettes to minors, and that the ventilation standards proposed would remove the odor of smoke from the air but not its cancer-causing substances.

The resolution also notes that the proposition is sponsored by Philip Morris, the largest cigarette manufacturing company in the world.

History Observed

In other business, the council proclaimed several

Safety

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Both the police chief and fire chief see the reorganization as an opportunity to emphasize community involvement in public safety.

Police chief Dan Givens would like to see "more organization with regards to working with neighborhoods," with an emphasis on "awareness and prevention types of programs, such as Neighborhood Watch."

Fire Chief Steve Cutright sees the reorganization as

special recognition weeks in the next month or so.

This week, Sept. 17 to 23, is Constitution Week; it was requested by the Richmond Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution.

Constitution Day was Sept. 17, the 207th anniversary of the constitution's signing.

The recognition of Constitution Week is national; citizens are urged to reflect during the week on the benefits of the federal constitution and American citizenship.

This year also marks the 200th birthday of Old

Ironsides; the Frigate Constitution was one of three ships of the present Navy and stayed in the area about 20 years. It was nicknamed Old Ironsides War of 1812.

This week is also Pollution Prevention Week (Sept. 19 to 25). United Nations Day is Oct. 22. Nations Week is Oct. 22 to 29.

The Sept. 19 council meeting was the 20th recent meeting. Most items on the agenda were on consent; there were no oral communications to the public.

Medical

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will eventually include urgent care services, minor out-patient surgery and expanded office hours; remaining open until 8 p.m. during the week and open on weekends.

"We currently don't have anything near that in the area. The building is being specifically built to be very comfortable and have additional capacity to add four more primary care physicians to help serve the community," Paulus said.

coinciding with a new philosophy and approach to public safety issues that is coming about in many communities.

"The biggest support we need from any volunteers (comes) along the line of NEAT — disaster preparedness, but also (dealing with) fire safety and life safety concerns," he said. "I believe neighbors and communities can get together and help each other, and I believe there's a way for citizen organizations to plug into that."

Albany Planning Director Claudia Cappio said the project drew sizeable public interest when approved on a split vote by the Planning Commission in April.

"We had pretty substantial comments from neighbors. I think it was fairly positive. People came in with their own concerns about traffic and access. There were a lot of comments about how the building is designed and whether we were putting in some monstrosity," she said.

Cappio went on to explain that due to a sewer

"Increasingly, the role of government is being redefined in terms of throwing money and throwing programs at citizens," Cutright went on to say. "We're in a new paradigm of organizing cities and seeing citizens take responsibility for their own welfare."

"That's easy to say for disaster preparedness. It has a wider application for (many) political issues."

Class registration open at Contra Costa Civic Theatre

The Contra Costa Civic Theatre is currently holding registration for Live at CCCT drama and dance classes.

All classes take place at the theatre's location at 951 Pomona Ave. in El Cerrito.

Pocket Theatre for children 8 through 14 will be directed by Rebecca Hesla and Todd Johnson.

Albany street sweeping scheduled this week

By Phyllis Lyon

ALBANY — Fall cleaning around town began this week with a two-week sweep of residential streets scheduled by the city Public Works Department.

"We're urging people to park their cars off street on the days they're scheduled for sweeping so we can do the best job possible," said Engineering Assistant Jason Baker who is in charge of the clean-up.

Streets will be swept between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the following areas:

• Zone 2: Solano Avenue to the south city

Pocket Theatre is an on-stage class involving all students in the production of an original play. Other activities include theatre games and improvisational exercises.

There are two sessions of Pocket Theatre — Monday/Wednesday, Oct. 10-Dec. 8, and Tuesday/Thursday, Oct. 11-Dec. 8.

limits between the BART tracks and the east city limits; the south and east sides, Sept. 22.

• Zone 3: North city limits to the south city limits between San Pablo Avenue and Masonic Street; the north and west sides, Sept. 26; south and east sides, Sept. 27.

• Zone 4: North city limits to Buchanan between San Pablo Avenue and the freeway; north and west sides, Sept. 28; south and east sides, Sept. 29; both sides of Calhoun, Gateview, Hillside and Taft, Sept. 28.

Call the Corporation Yard at 524-9543 for information.

ease that runs through the property the shape will resemble a trapezoid. The building entrance will be off the parking lot (inside) Pablo Avenue, as stipulated in the city's general plan. The lot will provide approximately 60 parking spaces.

Cappio also noted that "formal buffering" the Albany Bowl site and Adams Street is the plan, as well as other landscape improvements, trees and remodeling of commercial streets between the building site and the Albany Bowl.

CCCT invented the format for the professional Theatre Workshop.

Judy Whiting and Kathleen Ray directed in vocal technique and scene study in dramatic prove audition techniques.

All students perform in a final evening lights from the workshop.

The class meets Wednesdays from 7 p.m. beginning Oct. 12. Musical Theatre Workshop students ages 10 through adult. Judy Whiting offers private voice lessons at the theatre. For information call 799-7929.

CCCT is proud to introduce our new member, award-winning choreographer Sara will direct Tap Workshops for beginning, intermediate, and advanced students ranging from 9 through adult.

She will teach the basics of tap to prepare for CCCT's "No, No, Nanette" audition, and refine advanced dancers' skills.

Tap Workshops meet Saturdays and Sundays.

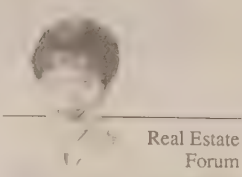
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Who fixes defects seldom clear-cut issue

Few houses, even new ones, are free of defects. Disputes between buyers and sellers can arise over who's responsible for fixing defects. The answer isn't always clear. Defect problems fall into two categories: Those discovered before closing; and those discovered after closing.

The first thing to do if you find a defect is to review your purchase contract. It may specify who's responsible for repairing the problem. Many contracts include a "seller warranty" clause which states that the house systems (such as plumbing, electrical, heating, cooling) will be operable at closing and the roof will be free of leaks.

If such a clause is included in your contract and the water heater leaks before closing, the seller is probably responsible for the repairs. Another clause that's frequently part of the purchase contract is a clause that states that the seller will maintain the property in its present condition until closing. Such a clause would also indicate that the seller would be responsible for taking care of property problems that developed between the time the contract was entered into and the closing.



Real Estate Forum

DIAN HYMER

Most purchase agreements include an inspection contingency which allows the buyers to inspect the property. The wording of this contingency will vary from one contract to the next. The contingency may commit the seller to repair defects found during inspections with a monetary cap on the amount the seller will be obliged to pay.

Other contingency clauses limit the seller's monetary liability for repairs without obligating the seller to pay anything. Some inspection contingencies don't obligate the seller to fix a thing; repairs are at the sole discretion of the seller. Frequently, buyers and sellers negotiate to share the cost to repair defects.

Sellers often balk at petty requests. Also, sellers can't be expected to remodel or upgrade their house to the buyer's specifications. The defects that sellers are often receptive to repairing are ones that pose a health or safety threat.

Inspections may reveal that systems aren't defective, but that they are at the end of their useful life. It may be unreasonable to expect a seller to pay the entire cost of a new system (such as a furnace) if the current one is still working and it's just old.

If the system is truly decrepit, you may be able to negotiate a credit from the seller, or a price reduction, to help pay for a new system at some time in the future. Defects that surface after closing can be problematic. Again, the purchase contract may indicate who's responsible. For instance, if the roof was to be watertight at closing and it leaked during the first rain, the sellers may be responsible for fixing it.

On the other hand, if the buyers were aware of the leaky roof and agreed in writing to purchase the house with the roof in its "as is" condition, the buyers would be responsible for repairs. If a defect is discovered before closing, an attempt should be made to create a written agreement which specifies who will be responsible for repairing it. Some sellers feel

that if they disclose a defect they have fulfilled their responsibility to the buyer.

Yet, the mere disclosure of a defect is neither an agreement from the seller to fix it nor is it an agreement from the buyer to take the property "as is" regarding the defect.

It's advisable to have an explicit agreement resolving a defect issue; ambiguity can lead to trouble. Defect problems are almost always easier to resolve before closing than they are after closing.

If you do find yourself in a situation where a defect surfaces after closing, your first course of action should be to try to resolve it directly with the seller.

If the seller is unwilling to help resolve the problem, discuss the problem with the real estate brokers involved.

If this doesn't bring satisfaction, talk to a knowledgeable real estate attorney or take the issue up in small claims court if it's a relatively minor problem. Lawsuits cost money, so this should be a last resort.

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High five!

Warriors' coach Don Nelson, left, 'high fives' his teammate, tennis pro Mark Scates, after the pair beat television's Channel 7 team 6-0 at last Friday's "Sports Challenge '94." The largest fundraiser for Alameda County's Special Olympics took place at Harbor Bay Club in Alameda and provided the perfect arena for runners, walkers, golfers and tennis buffs to exercise their talents and have a lot of fun at the same time. Sponsored by North American Title Company and Alameda County Realtors, the golfing and tennis tournaments drew some 220 participants, while more than 50 walkers joined Special Olympians on the 5K Fun Run and Stride. (For more, see SPORTS on page 22.)

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Think a building project through before deciding to do-it-yourself



From the Ground Up

■ JOHN HISS

When the time comes to make repairs or remodel your house, you may be tempted to do it yourself. If so, you won't be alone. The do-it-yourself market is huge and growing in the United States. Just look at the number of home repair and remodeling shows on TV. More concrete evidence is the explosive growth that retail establishments like Home Depot and Orchard Supply Hardware have experienced over the last several years.

The reasons why people like to work on their homes vary. For some, it's the opportunity to save some money. Others may enjoy the satisfaction of doing something with their hands. Still others don't trust hired help to do the job right the first time. These are all valid reasons and, in certain circumstances, can make a lot of sense.

But the circumstances have to be right. The best thing you can do to ensure that your do-it-yourself project is successful is to prepare, prepare, prepare. To avoid getting in over your head, consider the following before you are overwhelmed by the urge to rip something apart.

Is it simple? The best projects to take on are ones that don't require a lot of special tools, knowledge, or hazardous materials. Painting, for example, is one thing that just about everyone can do if they have the time and patience. Refinishing furniture is another.

If you feel like avoiding the gym for the weekend, you could put in a sprinkler system in the yard; not only will it give you a great workout, but you'll have made your life more convenient to boot.

The most important thing to remember is not to bite off too much. It's very easy to underestimate the amount of time, energy and money that is involved in any particular project. You may end

up angry and frustrated when things don't go just right and when you find, for example, that the supplier that has the one little part that you need is closed on the weekend.

Also, simple projects can carry with them a lot of risk. For instance, it's probably not a great idea to do too much of your own interior wiring or plumbing work unless you have the time, inclination and experience to do the project correctly. One small mistake and your house could be flooded or go up in flames.

Do I have the time? Think of

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how long the project will take before you get started. It could be a difficult situation if things don't go according to plan and, instead of saving money and hassle on the project, you are forced to get professional construction help to help fix up a mess or to respond in an emergency.

If the thought of using your neighbor's shower and toilet for a couple of weeks while remodeling your own bathroom doesn't sound great, imagine how much fun it would be for you (and your neighbor) if the project ends up taking a month or more.

Do I know what I'm getting myself into? If your project is on the ambitious side, it's a good idea to go to the library and find a "how to" book that is specific to the type of project you are about to undertake.

There are many magazines that can be of help as well, such as *Sunset*, *Better Homes and Gardens*, and *Fine Homebuilding*. Use these and other resources to draw up sketches and material lists before you begin work. That way,

you'll figure out what you need before you're elbow-deep in the project.

Is it logistically feasible? There are many practical and logistical things to consider as well. If your project requires a building permit, check with your city's public works department to find out what is involved. Will they require you to carry a worker's compensation policy if you hire anyone to help you? Might you be required to do additional work to your home as an adjunct to the project that you are doing?

Are the building inspector's hours such that you will be able to be there to meet him or her for progress and final inspections? These are the kinds of questions that need to be answered before you can begin work.

Do I have the tools I need? If your project requires special tools, find a good equipment rental yard in the area that has hours of operation conducive to your schedule. Check the prices of rental equipment in order to better determine whether the project is worth doing yourself or if it is better to hire a professional.

Do I know what I'm doing? Perhaps most important, ask a lot of questions. When I don't know about something, I ask six or eight "experts" about my dilemma. When I get the same answer three or four times, I know I'm on the right track.

Also, consider hiring a building professional to be your consultant. Books can tell you quite a lot, but often there is no substitute for a real person who will visit the work site to make suggestions or be easily reachable by phone if you get into trouble. Think of it as having your private "construction crisis hot-line."

As I've said, there are any number of reasons for undertaking a construction project on your own. And the results can be extraordinarily satisfying, if you take a little time up front to prepare yourself for the job ahead.

John Hiss, owner of John Hiss & Company, Construction Advisors, Oakland, can be reached at 330-4301.

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Q & A

Q: My husband and I listed our house for sale with a broker three weeks ago. Since that time, we have not had a single offer. We have decided not to sell it and we want the broker to take his sign down and stop showing the house. The broker told us that according to our contract, we must act in good faith and continue to show the house. In fact, he says, if he brings us a willing and able buyer who offers us the price, we must be prepared to sell it to the buyer or to pay the broker's commission anyway. What do you think?

A: Your contract with the broker is a legal document and, according to Berkeley real estate attorney Julie Esch, it is legally binding. But practically, she cautions, it should prevail in this kind of situation. If the broker insists that you go forward with the showings and the sale of the home you've already decided not to sell, his good will may be muddled and this may be the last listing he ever gets.

Realistically, you are probably not likely to find yourselves out on the street but you could be legally liable for the commission.

It would be a better idea for the broker to withdraw the listing in a friendly, preferably cheerful and professional manner. That way, if and when you decide to sell, you will feel comfortable about engaging his services again.

Dennis and I often do a lot of "staging" of the houses we list. Besides arranging for cosmetic sprucing up such as painting, floor refinishing, gardening and cleaning, we hang paintings which we take off the walls of our living room, buy sheets and towels, move furniture and assist the seller in renting appropriate pieces if they wish to do so.

Once, when we were representing a man who owned a furniture store, we selected all new furniture and brought in the art and other props from our collection only to find that he liked the house so much



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the way that we had decorated it, he decided to stay.

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Selling a home that's less than perfect

Number 69 in a series of true experiences in real estate.

Sometimes houses are so awful, dirty or structurally dangerous that we get there to find that the agent holding the house open isn't inside. She's sitting on the porch, or in extreme situations, standing on the sidewalk.

We've seen many houses that have moldered and pretty well fallen. Often they are stucco houses with roofs that failed. Water just kept running down inside the walls, rotting everything, then moved on across the wood floors, buckling and blackening them.

It takes a number of years for houses to reach such a sorry state, so they are usually overgrown with bushes and vines that let in very little light.

The kitchens are old and dirty with chipped sinks and cabinets and holes in the linoleum. There is moldy plaster and lights that won't go on. Sometimes there are signs posted that say, "Caution! don't step onto the porch." It's difficult to imagine that someone lived there.

Once when we went to a house and found the agent standing on the sidewalk, she handed us paper masks to wear. "It's pretty bad," she said. "You won't be able to stay in there for more than a few seconds."

We were so curious, we just had to go in. The house had been stripped of everything movable and cleaned as much as possible, but the stench was unbelievable. The story was that an old lady had died there. She had two dozen or so unhousebroken dogs. All the floors would have to be replaced.

I always wonder what the neighborhood stories about these houses and their occupants are. Did the kids nearby think the house was haunted? Was the owner a recluse? Did anyone ever see her? Where was her family? And what happened to all of the dogs?

You'd think that there wouldn't



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be much buyer interest in houses like these. But, strangely, there seems to be some kind of inverse rule: If it's really, really bad, people will rush to buy it. If it's only bad, forget it.

That's only a generality, of course. It isn't true all of the time, and I'm not suggesting that anyone make a bad house worse in order to sell it. But it is odd that houses in terrible shape seem to sell, at least some of the time, very quickly and for more than we would have thought possible.

The house that belonged to the old lady with the dogs, for instance, didn't have much going for it. It wasn't in a very appealing location, had little architectural merit, and of course, needed tons of work, but there were, I think, 15 offers on it.

Sometimes we see houses that are so full of stuff that it is impossible to see the house. Every inch is filled with furniture, boxes, things — up to the ceiling, throughout the garage and basement, onto the porches, into the yard.

We get to these houses and wonder how long it took to accumulate all these things, if the owner has any idea what is there, and how all of it could possibly be moved.

Usually the houses are vacant. Often they are estate sales. But occasionally we go to one that is still occupied by people who have kept one, only one, tiny spot free to sit in, who can only find a place to put down the groceries on top of the radio on top of the newspapers on top of the table.

Some years ago there was a

probate sale in Berkeley that an agent in my office had listed. The house had been built in the 1920s by a man for his bride. He had died years ago, but she stayed there for some 60 years until her death.

Judging from how much stuff was in the house, I'd say that they were both champion collectors. They'd brought home tons of things and stashed them. Nothing apparently had ever gone in the other direction.

Upstairs were two bedrooms, a

Once when we went to a house, the agent handed us paper masks to wear.

living room, bath and a kitchen of sorts. There was no heat. I never did find out why. It wasn't especially dirty or awful, but there was so much in the house that it was difficult to walk through the rooms.

The upstairs was, however, nothing compared to the storage area. The basement was huge and very full. It looked as if every newspaper and magazine, piece of mail, bottle and jar, every appliance (working or not), every kind of tool and piece of junk that had ever come into these people's hands was still in the basement.

It was impossible to see any section of the walls. There was no possibility of doing a termite report. Before the house was put up for sale, it had to be cleared out.

There were no living heirs. The woman had left her estate to several charitable organizations. The attorney for the estate contacted them — the Heart Fund and the like — and asked if they would like to clean out the house and sell what they could. They wouldn't.

Two of the agents in the office were pleased to hear this. They

had become fascinated by the sheer quantity of stuff and were curious about what was hidden there. They made a deal with the attorney to clean everything out in exchange for first dibs on buying what they wanted.

They got a dumpster, then started in. It took two of them about two weeks working full time to sort through the basement. The challenge, as well as the excitement, was finding the treasures amongst the trash. Every container and corner had to be gone through piecemeal.

They found vintage clothes (some still in good condition), lapidary supplies and millions of beads (some already strung into jewelry), good pieces of pottery, and rocking chairs. They found dozens of rakes, shovels and picks, hammers, wood vises and planes buried under pickle jars and old refrigerators. It was truly amazing.

While it always makes me sad to see sorry houses, it does do a couple of good things for me. I'm always behind on some aspect of maintenance of my house, but I don't think it will ever fall down around me. And while I also accumulate things, it's easy to see that as a pack rat, I'm really a lightweight.

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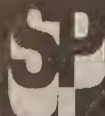
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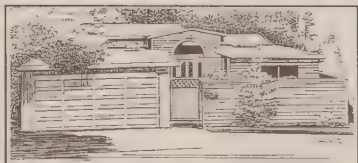
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Learn about new rules on refrigerants

CJP Mechanical, a heating, ventilation and air conditioning contractor from South San Francisco, has teamed up with The Trades Guild, a local contractor organization, to sponsor an educational seminar on the new CFC regulations pertaining to refrigerants and air conditioning systems. The Sept. 28 seminar on "CFC Phaseout and Its Impact" will feature Robert Dlugopolski from DuPont Chemical Corporation and will focus on:

- What types of refrigerants are being phased out and why?
- What new products will replace them?
- How will the phase-out affect local industries?
- How will commercial and residential customers be affected?
- What special credentials will be required of contractors?

This seminar will be geared to property managers (both residential and commercial) as well as

facility managers for office buildings, hotels/motels, restaurants, hospitals, schools, nursing homes, and other public and private facilities with refrigerants and cooling systems.

The seminar will be held at noon at the Contractor Design Center in San Francisco; cost of \$25 per person includes a box lunch and refreshments.

For more information or to make a reservation, call CJP Mechanical at (415) 738-0700.

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Struggle by the fire & gaze at the fabulous bay views in this spacious home w/ privacy. 3+BD/3BA. Call today! CATHE KOSEL 526-5143

MAGNIFICENT VIEWS \$310,000
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LOTS

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Achieving the dream

A First-time Home Buyers Seminar will be held Wednesday, Sept. 28 at the San Pablo branch of 1st Nationwide Bank, 201 San Pablo Towne Center. E.M. Smith, left, 1st Nationwide bank loan consultant, and Jeffrey Wright, managing broker of Wright Realtors and president of the West Contra Costa Association of Realtors, are guest speakers at the free seminar. Seating is limited and reservations are required. Call E.M. Smith at (800) 226-7128, ext. 203.

'Code Plus' signifies product quality

The American Plywood Association (APA) has announced that Dan Martinez of Red Wing Construction in Oakland is a participant in APA's nationwide Code Plus remodeler program promoting structural performance and product quality.

By participating in Code Plus, remodelers agree to build to Code Plus specifications using APA trademarked materials. That means no-squeak floors 84 percent stiffer than minimum building code requirements, roofs 92 percent stronger than code, and thicker walls helping to tie everything together.

The benefit for the homeowner is a durable structure with additional strength and quality built in to resist storms and earthquakes.

"Code Plus stickers on our projects assures the customer that premium building materials and construction systems have been

used throughout," said a Red Wing Construction spokesperson. "Code Plus means lasting quality in the completed project, including those parts that won't be seen when the job is done."

Basic elements of Code Plus building systems developed as a result of more than 60 years of research, testing and field experience by the Tacoma, Washington, headquartered American Plywood Association:

Floors — A Code Plus floor is 84 percent stiffer and stronger between joists than typical built-to-code floors. All APA Rated floor panels are glued and nailed for increased rigidity.

Walls — APA Rated Sheathing is used in Code Plus walls for strength and stiffness. These structural panels help tie the house floor to the roof, so the whole building is made more hurricane and earth-

quake resistant. The sheathing also provides a good nail base for exterior siding.

Roofs — As in other parts of the structure, Code Plus roof specs call for APA Rated structural panels thicker than building codes demand. The result: a roof 92 percent stronger between rafters.

Specification of Code Plus also enhances the use of glued laminated beams (glulams) for such applications as garage door headers, floor headers and ridge beams.

Whenever glulams are used in a Red Wing home, they are required to carry the APA-EWS trademark. APA-EWS glulams are manufactured by members of American Wood Systems, a related corporation of the American Plywood.

For more information, contact Dan Martinez, Red Wing Construction, 484 Lake Park Ave., #70, Oakland 94610; phone: 832-7620.

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REDWOOD HEIGHTS FAMILY RETREAT.....\$239,000
Excellent hideaway lovingly cared for! Beautiful beamed ceilings, hardwood floors & lots of traditional touches throughout! STEVE FONG 339-4000

IMPOSSIBLE DREAM - NOW REALITY.....\$219,000
Major \$20,000 price reduction makes this dream home a reality. It boasts FDW/fireplace, large light-filled rooms, den, separate home office, spa. Surrounded by decks & yard. SHERDELLA SIMS 339-4000

Sports

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Among the athletes were some well-known names from the sports world as well as TV and radio personalities — Warriors' coach Don Nelson, Morrie Turner, cartoonist of Wee Pals, Channel 2 news reporter Randy Shandobil, Channel 7's Martin Wyatt and Brian Hackney, KBLX discjockey Timothy Alexander White, Art Thomas of the Raiders, Mike Norris of the Oakland A's, and Kiko Garcia of the Baltimore Orioles.

Last but not least, were Yogi Bear and Cindi Bear, on day leave from Great America.

Guy Swartz of Mount Diablo Mortgage was the happy holder of the raffle ticket for the Grand Prize, an all-expenses-paid trip to Molokai, Hawaii. A week's condo accommodations were provided courtesy of Bruce and Joanne Sergeant and roundtrip airfare was donated by United Airlines.

The dedicated efforts of "Sports Challenge '94" co-chairs Diane Daley-Smith and Ginger Schuler, both of North American Title Company, more than paid off. The event raised upward of \$50,000 for Special Olympics which depends solely on fundraisers and private donations for its survival.

Daley-Smith and Schuler wish to thank all who participated in the "Sports Challenge '94" as well



A Special Olympian greets Yogi Bear and his significant bear, Cindi.



Above, Brian Hackney, KGO Channel 7 weatherman, returns a serve during doubles tennis with partner Channel 7 sportscaster Martin Wyatt. Opposite, Martin Wyatt makes a nice play for the ball.

as the dozens of sponsors and those who donated prizes. They encourage anyone who wishes to support Alameda's Special Olympics to call 794-4114.

Photos by Jeff Lindquist

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YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE OPEN HOMES

OAKLAND Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

- 5981 GIRVIN DR, Pied Pines 4+3/4, Lloyd Wright May Be Jealous \$1,000,000
Better Homes, D.C. Hodges 339-8400
- 6035 WOOD DR, Charming Spanish Mission Revival, Vws, Gardens \$995,000
The GRUBB Co., Karen Starr 339-0400
- 55 YORKSHIRE DR, Claremont Pines, Nw Constr, 4/3, 3 Frplcs \$995,000
Better Homes, Helen Nicholas 339-8400
- 139 SHERIDAN, Elegant Medit Gated Mini-Estate, 4bd, Study, More \$895,000
Wells & Bennett, Sandi Klemmer 654-4804 MLS 033580
- 6632 LIGGETT, Pied Side, 2 Legal Homes On Gated 1/2 Acre Lot \$859,000
Owner, 339-0687 OPEN SUNDAY 2:30-5
- 5321 GOLDEN GATE, Upr Rockridge Restored Archit Gem, 1/2 Acre \$799,000
Pacific Union, Claudia Ellinghaus 339-6460
- 6036 MAZUELA DR, 5/4, Nw Constr, Lvl-out to Patio, Pvt Cul-de-sac \$790,000
Better Homes, Jeanette Roach 339-8400
- 6089 MAZUELA DR, 4/3 1/2, Montclair Estates Exclsve Nw Developmt \$775,000
Better Homes, Jeanette Roach 339-8400
- 1098 AMITO, 4/3 1/2, Has Everything! Views, Porch, New & Gorgeous! \$719,500
New Look, 531-2670
- 7079 NORFOLK RD, 3/2+, Pano Views, A Celebration Of Light! \$690,000
Templeton Co., 652-2133
- 2 EUCALYPTUS, Claremont Graceful Traditional, 5/3, Library \$675,000
JT Ward, 845-6021
- 5425 GOLDEN GATE, Upr Rockridge 4/3, Nw & Gorgeous, Quality \$659,000
Pacific Union, Lindsey Murray 339-6460
- 5561 COUNTRY CLUB, 3+3/4 Claremont Pines Trad, Style! \$659,000
Better Homes, Sue Williams 339-8400
- 14 AVONOA CT, Skyline 4/3 1/2 Spectacular House On 2+ Acre Site \$649,000
The Prudential Landmark Real Estate, Bill Miller 287-9999
- 6115 MARGARITO DR, Rockridge 4/2 1/2 Beauty, Bay Vw, Wlk to All! \$625,000
Better Homes, Jan Neff 339-8400
- 5874 MARGARITO, Just Listed! Claremont Pines 4/3+, Library \$619,000
Pacific Union, Brooks Anderson 339-6460
- 5958 BUENA VISTA, Rockridge 5/3 1/2, New & Elegant, Views \$599,900
Mason McDuffie, Kay Sedgwick 339-9290/ 547-6100
- 122 VICENTE, Excellent Quality, Great Location, 4/4 \$599,000
Mason McDuffie, Judith Glass 428-0900/ 658-9847 X2
- 5940 ESTATES, Montclair 3bd/ 2ba \$589,000
Coldwell Banker, Rita Zwerdling 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4
- 1939 OAKVIEW, Oakmore 5/3 1/2, Distinctive Span! Medit, Cul-de-sac \$575,000
Better Homes, Martha Shin 339-8400/ 531-8643
- 2121 BYWOOD DR, Oakmore Elegant 4/4+, Pano By Vw, Solarium \$553,000
Better Homes, Helen Nicholas 339-8400
- 5944 MILES AVE, Stunning 4 Yr Old Contemp On Temescal Creek \$550,000
Templeton Co., 652-2133
- 930 AQUARIUS, Nw Medit, 3/2 1/2, Detached Art Studio, Bay View \$549,000
Wells & Bennett, Peter Nicolopoulos 339-9780 MLS 033488
- 6638 LONGWALK, Montclair, Nw Constr, 4/3 1/2, 3 Frplcs, Contemp \$549,000
Wells & Bennett, Frank Henneler 654-6461 MLS 032428
- 5966 GRIZZLY PEAK BLVD, Realistic Seller Goes Belw Mrkt Price! \$539,000
The GRUBB Co., Debra J. Dryden 339-0400
- 37 HILLWOOD PL, New Price! Crocker Remodeled Dutch Colonial \$524,000
The GRUBB Co., John Kamay 339-0400
- 5617 LA SALLE AVE, 4052 sf 3/2 House + Adjoin Bungalow \$499,950
Prudential California Realty, Eric Eng 888-6324 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4
- 5800 WESTOVER, Reduced! Pied. Pines, New Constr, 3+3/4 \$499,000
Wells & Bennett, Susie Lippes 482-8602 MLS 025116 OPEN SUNDAY 3-6
- 1969 GASPAR DR, Just Listed! Montclair 4/3, Excellent Detail \$489,000
Pacific Union, Francis Heath 339-6460
- 887 PARAMOUNT RD, Crocker 4/3 Stately Trad, Grt New Kitchen \$479,000
Pacific Union, Joan Daniel 339-6460
- 35 NEVA CT, Nw Construction, 3/3 1/2, Lvl, Gourmet Kitchen, Yd \$479,000
Mason McDuffie, Kurt Buchholz 339-9290/ 466-5509
- 12 STAR VIEW, Hiller Hghlnds Townhome, 3/3 Spectacular Contemp \$475,000
Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammerel 339-1174
- 6007 RIDGEMONT, Ridgemont 3/2 1/2, Pano Vw, Elegant Mstr Retreat \$469,000
Coldwell Banker, Sherry Benninger 339-1174
- 5119 FAIRHILL CT, New Listing! Ridgemont 4/3, Elegant, Lvl Lot \$465,000
Pacific Union, Robyn Mohr 339-6460
- 6375 ESTATES DR, Pied Side Montclair, 4/3, Fab Setting, Wlk- Vige \$459,000
Coldwell Banker, Nancy Dickes 339-1174

- 6329 RIDGEMONT DR, New Listing! Pano Vws! 4/3, Large Fam Rm \$459,000
Wells & Bennett, Chris Christensen 530-8412 MLS
- 14 SONIA ST, Upr Rockridge 4/3+ Trad, Incredible Value! Lg Yard \$449,500
Pacific Union, Patricia Scott 339-6460
- 6166 MATHIEU, Upper Rockridge 3/3, Quality, Great Floor Plan \$449,000
Better Homes, Vickie Chan Case 339-8400
- 11 HAWKS HILL, A Must See! New Listing, 3/2 1/2 \$425,000
Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammerel 339-1174
- 25 MASONIC PL, Upr Rockridge 4/2, Impeccable, Cul-de-sac \$419,000
Pacific Union, Charlene Claybaugh 339-6460
- 834 MANDANA, Crocker Fabulous 3+1/2 2+ Colonial, Fam Rm, Yd \$412,000
Mason McDuffie, C. Boze 339-9290/ 869-4203
- 5151 MCDONELL, Oak Hills 3/2+ Nw Custom Home, Fam, Rm \$408,000
Pacific Union, Roselle Woods 339-6460
- 6885 AITKEN DR, Montclair 4/3, Quality Hm, Fam Rm, Solarium \$399,000
Better Homes, Lyn Murray 339-8400
- 5405 BROADWAY TERR, Elegant Townhome, 3/2, G. Course Views \$395,000
The GRUBB Co., Elizabeth Dickson 339-0400
- 1084 CLARENDON CRESCENT, Absolutely Adorable 3bd! \$389,000
Mason McDuffie, Nancy Lehrkind 428-0900
- 6767 OAKWOOD DR, Montclair Stunning 2 Lvl Contemp, 3/2 1/2 \$389,000
Coldwell Banker, Evelyn Walker 339-1174
- 797 ROSEMONT, Crocker 4/4 Beautiful English, Move-In Condition \$385,000
Pacific Union, Georgia Cornell 339-6460
- 3320 BRUNELL DR, Hills 4/2, Rec Rm, 2 Decks, Frplc, Oak Flrs \$374,000
Agent, 482-3800
- 5812 OCEAN VIEW DR, Rockridge Duplex, 1st Open! \$369,000
Owner, 408-662-2329 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4
- 2841 CHELSEA DR, New Listing! 1st Open! 4/2 1/2, Priced To Sell! \$369,000
The GRUBB Co., Marilyn Watson 339-0400
- 721 CALMAR, Gracious 1909 Trad, 11 Rooms, Orig Wds/ Details \$365,000
Wells & Bennett, Stan Hammond 839-5846 MLS 033379
- 1980 LEIMERT, Move-in Cond! SF Vws, 2bd+ 2 Up; 2bd+ 1 Down \$359,000
The Hendrickson Co., 540-6000
- 1391 ALVARADO, New Constr, 3/2 1/2 Contemporary, Flex Floor Plan \$359,000
Coldwell Banker, Sherry Benninger 339-1174
- 4275 39TH AVE, Redwood Hts 4/2, All Lvl Contemp, Courtyard \$349,000
Pacific Union, Joe Knowland 339-6460
- 1900 HOOVER AVE, Oakmore 3/2, Spanish Medit, SF/So Bay Vws \$349,000
Pacific Union, Kirk Phillips 339-6460
- 7112 SNAKE RD, Just Listed! Montclair 3+1/2, Bay Vw, Family Room \$349,000
Pacific Union, Chuck Corwin 339-6460
- 5665 CABOT DR, Montclair 3/2+ Colonial, Close To Vige, Updtd Kit \$349,000
Pacific Union, Thomas Wurst 339-6460
- 2130 MASTLANDS DR, 3+1/2, Family Rm & Den All On 1 Level! \$349,000
The GRUBB Co., Susanne Paul 339-0400
- 7112 SNAKE RD, Just Listed! Montclair 3+1/2, Bay Vw, Fam Rm \$349,000
Pacific Union, Chuck Corwin 339-6460
- 2150 BRAEMAR, New Price! Spacious Home \$349,000
Mason McDuffie, Nancy Hinkley 428-0900/ 482-4088
- 403 HILLER DR, Upgraded Townhouse 3/2 1/2, Granite Countertops \$349,000
Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammerel 339-1174
- 73 BUCKEYE, Upr Rockridge 4/3, Bay & Brg Vws, Hm Ofc Potent! \$346,000
Pacific Union, Wendy Gardner 339-6460
- 1096 CLARENDON CRES, Crocker, Nw Price 4 Trad Gem/ Tp Lctn \$339,000
Mason McDuffie, Nancy Lehrkind 428-0900
- 6407 HEATHER RIDGE WY, Montclair 4+3/4 Inc 2 Mstr Suites \$337,000
The GRUBB Co., Katherine Cooper 339-0400
- 401 HILLER DR, Hiller Highlands 3/2 1/2 Corner Unit, 2 Frplcs \$335,000
Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammerel 339-1174
- 6445 THORNHILL DR, 1st Offering, Montclair 4/3 Contemp, In-law \$335,000
Doris Lander, 339-0842 OPEN SUNDAY 1-5
- 5537 LAWTON AVE, Brown Shingle Beauty! \$329,000
Mason McDuffie, Mavis Delacroix, 428-0900/ 658-6332
- 3801 LAKESHORE AVE, Curb Appeal, Texas Sized Rooms, 3+1/2 \$324,000
Coldwell Banker, Ruby Ng 339-1174
- 1855 MANZANITA, Montclair Contemp, 3/2, Move-in Condition \$319,500
Wells & Bennett, Dick Cohen 339-1117 MLS 033283
- 6515 ASCOT DR, New Listing! Montclair 3/2, Charming, All Lvl Hm \$319,500
Pacific Union, Wyn Stephens 339-6460
- 5340 BROADWAY TERR #701, 2/2 Penthe, Heritage Of Claremont \$319,000
JT Ward, Claire Cunningham 845-6021

- 6757 BANNING DR, New Listing! Montclair 3+1/2, Den/ Office, Deck \$319,000
Pacific Union, Donna Costella 339-6460
- 1218 TRESTLE GLEN, Crocker Hghlnds Medit, Beautiful Detail, 3bd \$319,000
The GRUBB Co., Judy Cain 339-0400
- 4162 LYMAN, Pristine Medit, 2 1/2, Lg Rumpus, FDR, Brkfst Nook \$319,000
Wells & Bennett, Katie Meadows 482-3576 MLS 033275
- 7075 EXETER DR, Piedmont Pines 5/3 1/2 Cosmetic Fixer! \$300,000
Better Homes, Hal Castle 339-8400
- 5918 MARDEN LN, Montclair 3/2, Wlk- School, + Separate 1/1 Suite \$300,000
Coldwell Banker, Dell M. Orr 339-1174
- 6359 LONGCROFT DR, Pied. Pines Fixer Special! 3/2 1/2, FDR \$300,000
Coldwell Banker, Sherry Benninger 339-1174
- 4426 PLEASANT VALLEY CT, Pied Ave. Area 2/1, +Rm, Cul-de-sac \$300,000
Thom Realty, 653-8705
- 5878-80 CHABOT, Reduced! Rockridge Flats, Pvcy, Hot Tub, More! \$300,000
JT Ward, 845-6021 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4
- 4079 LYMAN RD, Oakmore 3+1/2+ Spacious Sparkling Traditional \$300,000
Pacific Union, Tom Anthony 339-6460
- 1807 INDIAN WAY, Comfortable, Attractive Montclair Hm, Sny Grge \$300,000
The GRUBB Co., Donald Grubb Jr. 339-0400
- 30 OVERLAKE CT, 3+1/2, Marble Entry & Frplc, Remod Kit \$300,000
Better Homes, Nahid Nassiri 339-4000
- 6901 CHAMBERS DR, Montclair 2/1, Beautiful Set, Upgrd Kit & Bk \$300,000
Pacific Union, Ann Nichols 339-6460
- 5261 BOYD AVE, Rockridge's Best Value! Skillfully Remodeled 3/2 \$300,000
The GRUBB Co., Karen Starr 339-0400
- 4305 FAIR AVE, Reduced! 3/3, Nw Constr, Bay Vw, Fam Rm \$300,000
Better Homes, Carol Cohen 339-8400
- 4721 LINCOLN WAY, 2+1/2, Quiet Lane, Pano Bay Vw, Very Pnt \$300,000
Better Homes, Harry Kress 339-8400
- 6355 GIRVIN, Montclair Charming 2+1/2 contemp, Woodsy Setting \$300,000
Better Homes, Helen Buty 339-8400
- 4520 HARBORD DR, Upr Rockridge Trad, 3/1 Bungalow, Remod \$300,000
Coldwell Banker, Michael Thompson 339-1174
- 681 KENMORE, Lakeshore Darling 2bd, Updtd, Must Sell! \$300,000
Mason McDuffie, Lani Clarke 339-9290/ 869-4210
- 7140 SARONI, Rockridge, 3/2, Work At Hm! Lg Library, Crocker School \$300,000
Mason McDuffie, Caroline Peters 428-0900/ 547-1722
- 4151 GREENWOOD, 3/1+, Work At Hm! Lg Library, Crocker School \$300,000
Better Homes, 339-8400
- 6537 GIRVIN, Pied. Pines, Move Right In! Decks, Sunny, 2 Frplcs \$300,000
Coldwell Banker, Victor Fierro 339-1174
- 842 & 842A WALKER AVE, Grnd Lk 2 Units; Upr 2bd/Lwr 1bd, Grge \$300,000
Owner (Agents 3%)/ Below Market Financing 834-8768 OPEN SUNDAY 1-5
- 4133 LAGUNA, Exc Neighborhood, Lvd-in Ranch, Fam Rm, Clean \$300,000
Wells & Bennett, Donna Conroy 531-7000 MLS 033247
- 59 RAMONA DR, New Listing! Loaded W/ Upgrades, 2/2 & Studio \$300,000
The GRUBB Co., Debra Dryden 339-0400
- 1380 TRESTLE GLEN, Crocker 3+1/2, Quiet Yard, Crocker Schools \$300,000
Better Homes, Arnold Mueller 339-4000 OPEN SUNDAY 1-5
- 4014 WATERHOUSE, Oakmore 2+bd Trad, Yd, Privacy, More \$300,000
Mason McDuffie, V. Landes 339-9290/ 869-4225
- 3959 NORTON, Redwood Heights Spanish Tri-level 3/2 \$300,000
Mason McDuffie, Joan Simmons 834-2010
- 6633 ARMOUR DR, Sleek Contemporary, Canyon Vws, 2+bd, Study \$300,000
The GRUBB Co., Susan Veit 339-0400
- 59 MELVIN CT, Tahoe Style Secluded 2/2, Deck, Bay Vw \$300,000
Wells & Bennett, Sharon Hammond 839-5846 MLS 031292
- 5659 BROADWAY AVE, New Listing! Rockridge 2+1, Updated \$300,000
Pacific Union, Teri Carlisle 339-6460
- 498 JEAN ST, 3+1/2 Craftsman, Rse Garden Area, Updated! \$300,000
J. Berry Realtors, Michael/ Sandra Taylor 482-8375 OPEN SUNDAY 1-5
- 4739 EL CENTRO, Upr Glenview, Spacious, Sunny 3/1 1/2, Tile Flrs \$300,000
Wells & Bennett, Nancy Novick 482-2392 MLS 034217
- 4120 39TH AVE, Redwd Hts 3/2, Bay Vw, 2 Car Grge, Immaculate \$300,000
Better Homes, Sandy Wong 339-8400
- 3735 LINCOLN AVE, Lg 4+1/3 Medit + 1/1 Cottage, 10,000 sf Lot \$300,000
Templeton Co., 652-2133
- 4876 REINHARDT, Reduced! Oak Hills 3/2, Views, Yard \$300,000
Mason McDuffie, Bernadette Mele 339-9290/ 869-4231
- 5119 DESMOND, Rockridge Delightful 2/1 Bungalow, Dbl Grge \$300,000
Coldwell Banker, Don Coelho 339-1174

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Sports



Coming up with the cash to build or remodel

This is the first in a two-part series on construction financing.

If you have ever dreamt about building your own home or an addition to your current residence, you have probably been overwhelmed by the enormity of the project.

First, you are expected to work with an architect to create a design. Then you must pass through a governmental process for your local city or county to approve your plans.

You have to find a contractor to build your new house and addition for an agreed-upon price.

Finally, you would have to come up with the money to pay for the project.

Here your dream may meet an unanticipated reality. Your potential home building and renovation plans may be stalled by lack of funds.

You may not know that money for building is available from a variety of construction lenders.

Home construction loans

The most common type of construction loan is for a new personal residence.

Generally the lender will allow

you to borrow up to 90 percent of the cost of the project. The cost is defined generally as soft costs, plus hard costs and land costs.

Soft costs are architectural, planning, engineering, permit and associated costs.

Hard costs are the actual building construction or "brick and mortar" expenses.

Land cost is the price you paid for the property or its current value if you purchased the site a while ago.

Home remodeling loans

Remodeling/renovation loans are also available from a variety of lending institutions.

These loans are similar to construction loans in that lenders will want to see your project costs up front.

However, if there is equity in your home or, if your project is less than \$15,000, you will probably be able to borrow the funds as a second mortgage.

If you are counting on adding substantial value to your house with the remodel and your project is larger, your project will then be classified as a construction project and be subject to some of the same lender oversight.



Mortgage Notes

RICHARD FISHMAN

How to qualify?

Qualifying for a construction loan may not be as difficult as you believe.

Most construction lenders utilize the same loan application forms that most mortgage lenders use.

From these they determine if your income is sufficient for you to afford the mortgage on the newly constructed or renovated home.

Like other lenders, they will also be looking at your credit standing, employment stability, and amount of cash or liquid assets you have saved.

Even if your credit is not perfect, however, there may be a construction loan for you.

In addition to standard loan information, your lender will need to know about your construction

project.

They will require your design plan drawings, a cost breakdown provided by your contractor, and contract between you and your contractor, and some references from the contractor.

Most lenders require a building permit from the city or county in which the house is being built, although there are some lenders that will fund your loan without a permit.

Your lender will analyze the construction information you have provided.

They will determine if your costs are reasonable and also do a credit search on your contractor.

Because your contractor will be the one spending the construction funds, lenders are very concerned that your contractor is reputable and financially stable.

After looking at your personal financial information and your construction project, the lender will then determine the feasibility of your loan.

With their approval, your construction can then begin.

Richard Fishman is president of RAF Mortgage in Berkeley. He can be reached at 528-0767.

YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE OPEN HOMES

1779 BRANDON ST, Upper Piedmont Ave. 2/1, Renewed Kit, FDR Better Homes, Hal Castle 339-8400	130 PANORAMIC, Architect Designed 3+ 1/2, Sylvan Setting Berkeley Hills Real Estate OPEN SUNDAY 2-4	\$650,000	PIEDMONT Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm	
3900 MONTEREY, Redwood Hts Trd, Bay Vw, Plus Room, Yard Wells & Bennett, Diane Earl McCan 531-7000 MLS 033427 OPEN SUN 1-1:30	1086 GRANDVIEW DR, New Listing! Japanese Contemp Design Templeton Co., 652-2133	\$595,000	284 MOUNTAIN AVE, 6/4+ English Normandy, 1/2 Acre Pacific Union, Dee Dee Bonham 339-6460	\$1,739,000
3062 CARLSEN, 3bd, Bay Vw, Top Area, Fresh Paint, Hdwd Flrs Wells & Bennett, 482-2256 MLS 034279	1061 STERLING AVE, Bk. Hills 3/2+, Fab 8 Yr Old Medit, Grt Vws Pacific Union, Dee Knowland 339-6460	\$579,000	104 DUDLEY AVE, Elegant Views, 4/3+ Mason McDuffie, R. Ousterman 428-0900/ 530-4372	\$995,000
65 HAMILTON PLACE, Lake Merritt Victorian Duplex Better Homes, Michael Harding 339-4000	10 ALVARADO RD, Spas Trad Stucco, Thomas Church Grdn, 5/2 JT Ward, Julie Nachtwey 845-6021	\$495,000	9 WYNGAARD AVE, 4/2+ English Tudor, Exq Craftsmanship Pacific Union, Georgia Cornell 339-6460	\$929,500
393 HILLMONT DR, Hills Darling 2/1, Beautiful Canyon Setting Owner, 568-4608	920 SHATTUCK, 4/3 Fab Brn shingle, 3 Frplcs, Pool, Spa Pacific Union, Rich Gould 339-6460	\$478,000	810 HIGHLAND AVE, Style, Convenience, Location, 4++ bds The GRUBB Co., Katherine Cooper 339-0400	\$895,000
4420 HYACINTH, Laurel Chamer, 2bd, Spacious Kit, Lvl Yd Wells & Bennett, Lisa Weil 531-1653 MLS 033326	50 EL CAMINO REAL, Private 4 3/2+ Retreat In Claremont Templeton Co., 652-2133	\$469,000	322 BLAIR AVE, New Listing! Cntrl Pied. Trad, Level The GRUBB Co., Jean Simmons 339-0400	\$839,950
5479 EL CAMILE, Maxwell Pk 3bd, Designer Perfect, Lg Spac Rms Winters Realty, Joann 769-1606 OPEN SUNDAY 2-5	1566 CAMPUS DR, Artistic, Sophisticated Contemp, Pano Bay Vws The GRUBB Co., Nancy Rothman 339-0400	\$455,000	45 ST. JAMES PL, Stunning 4+3 Trd In Grdn Setting Mason McDuffie, James Garcia 339-9290/ 869-4211	\$749,000
8040 WINTHROPE, Oak Knoll Cute 2bd Starter, Lg Lot Mason McDuffie, Steve Everhart 339-9290/ 869-4221	1927 MARIN AVE, New Listing! 4+1/2 Arts & Crafts Farmhse Red Oak Realty, 527-3387 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4	\$439,000	25 TYSON CIRCLE, New Price! Trad Formality, Lux Styling The GRUBB Co., Mindy Scott 339-0400	\$739,500
4678 FAIR AVE, Redwood Hts 2/1, Priced Under Market, Move-in Better Homes, Patricia Bennett 339-4000	2632-34 ETNA, Brn Shingle + Sep Cottage, 5 Grgs, Potential! Wells & Bennett, Mary Neuberger 635-9103	\$438,000	256 SHERIDAN AVE, New Listing! Elegant Tudor, Lvl Grdn The GRUBB Co., Marcia Nebel 339-0400	\$729,000
250 WHITMORE #401 PENTHOUSE, Rickrge 2/2, Also Studio Condo Better Homes, Ardeene Swain 893-4800	3066 BUENA VISTA, 3/3, Awesome Bay View, Unusual Home Mason McDuffie, Mark Cujak 339-9290/ 869-4237	\$419,000	15 SELBORNE AVE, Grac Trad, New Look, Exq Detail, 4 bd The GRUBB Co., Marion Schwartz 339-0400	\$679,000
7523 VALENTINE ST, New Listing! 2/1, Move-in cond, Prk-like Bkyd Pacific Union, Vicki Woodhead 339-6460	54 PANORAMIC WAY, 3/2+ Lovely View Home W/ 2/1 Unit Red Oak Realty, 527-3387 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4	\$399,000	217 SCENIC AVE, New Listing! Spans Medit 5/4, Ofc, Den Coldwell Banker, Pat Whittingslow 339-1174	\$649,000
4538 STEELE, Laurel Pvt Setting, 3bd, Frplc, 2 Car Grge, Yard Wells & Bennett, Lee Jacobson 654-5161 MLS 034083	2612 WOOLSEY, Elmwood 5+1/2, Remod Kit/ Fam Rm, Flex Flr Plan JT Ward, Ellen Soriano 845-6021 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4	\$389,000	110 ST. JAMES DR, 3/2+ Custom Contemp, Lg Landscpd Grdn Pacific Union, Martha Holstlaw 339-6460	\$629,000
690 58TH ST, 2+2, Charming Bungalow, Remod Kit & Baths Wells & Bennett, Marianne Jamison 855-9615 MLS 034080	854 HILLDALE AVE, Tudor, Impeccably Remod 3/2, Fam Rm, Deck JT Ward, Claire Cunningham 845-6021 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4	\$379,000	149 ST. JAMES PL, 4/3+, Just Add 90's Look! Mason McDuffie, Pamela Comford 339-9290/ 869-4213	\$559,000
3520 WISCONSIN, New Listing! Redwood Hts Adorable 2/1 Mason McDuffie, K. Crandall 339-9290/ 869-4214	1391 ALVARADO, New Constr, Open Flr Pln, 3/2+ Contemporary Coldwell Banker, Sherry Benninger 339-1174	\$359,000	25 ALTA, 4/3+, Beautiful Bay Views Mason McDuffie, Rosalie Marshall 339-9290/ 655-6165	\$549,900
3216 PARTRIDGE, Neat 2+1, Bay View, Motivated! Mason McDuffie, D.A. Hammond 339-8888/ 869-4219	1054 GRIZZLY PEAK, 2bd/ 2ba Coldwell Banker, Melissa Lyckberg 486-1495	\$325,000	9 LA SALLE AVE, New Listing! Spacious 3bd Mason McDuffie, Elisabeth Belle 428-0900/ 531-8620	\$499,000
5951 MAJESTIC, Price Reduced! 2+1+, Great Condition Mason McDuffie, E. Barber 339-8787	2632 ETNA, Reduced! Grt Ownr/Blr Project! TIC Abv College Ave Wells & Bennett, Mary Neuberger 635-9103	\$299,000	1087 RANLEIGH WAY, Classic Pied. Trad, Exc Location, 3/2 The GRUBB Co., Sherri Willson Oakley 339-0400	\$429,000
3878 PATTERSON, Laurel Chamer, 2/1, Wlk- Shopng, Bnk, Transp Coldwell Banker, Jack Brennerman 339-1174	1457 SUMMIT RD, 3/2, Quiet, Peaceful! Lvl, Fam Rm, Quiet Retreat Pacific Union, Joanna Gould 339-6460	\$295,000	239 PALM, Bright 3bd/ Good Flexible Spaces Mason McDuffie, Maddy Hickling 428-0900/ 655-6896	\$379,000
4331 TOMPKINS, 2bd, Great Location, Lg Rooms, OMC 2nd Mason McDuffie, John Vail 339-9290/ 268-1858	2130 BROWNING ST, 3/2 Lease/ Optn 2 Buy, Lg Updtd, \$1500 Rent Joe, 531-9730	\$260,000	104 SUNNYSIDE AVE, Charm, Character! 2 1/2, FDR, Chrl Study The GRUBB Co., Ed Kuo 339-0400	\$319,000
3818 MIDVALE, Laurel 2bd + Studio, Bungalow Mason McDuffie, Mike Potmesil 339-9290	1317 SANTA FE, 2bd/ 2ba Coldwell Banker, Maria Estrada 486-1495	\$248,000	PINOLE Open Sunday	
4500 MANILA, Temescal 2/1 Cal Bungalow, Orig Charm, Upgrades Winters Realty, John Bickley 893-2921 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4	1327 CARELTON ST, 3/1, \$10K Reduction! Refurbished, Gor Kit Better Homes, Ed Lindorfer 339-8400	\$209,500	426 BLACKBERRY LANE, 3bd/ 2 1/2 ba Coldwell Banker, 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$188,000
3306 GEORGIA ST, Laurel 2/1 Sparkling Gem! Plus Room, Yard Pacific Union, Tom Anthony 339-6460	1111 JONES, 3bd/ 2ba Coldwell Banker, Sally Hendrickson 486-1495	\$189,000	RICHMOND Open Sunday	
5427 RUTH AVE, 2/1, + Room Perfect For Office Or Nursery Coldwell Banker, Stacy Winett 339-1174	2320 8TH ST, Victorian Chamer, 3/2, Detached Plus Room Coldwell Banker, Victor Fierro 339-1174	\$179,000	3420 CLINTON, 3/2, Richmond's Best! Mason McDuffie, Hugo Schmitt 339-9290/ 869-4257 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$179,250
1555 LAKESIDE DR #27, 2/1 1/2, Lake View, Rear Patio, Split-lvl Mason McDuffie, Amberson McCulloch 834-2010/ 523-6758	CALISTO Open Sunday		SAN LEANDRO Open Sunday	
4501 HOWE ST #5, Spacious 3/2 Penthouse, Spectacular View The Prudential Lankmark Real Estate, Lucy Meyer 287-9999	19807 SAN MIGUEL #2, Updated Kitchen/ Baths, 2/2, Pool RE/MAX In Motion, Carolyn 430-0303 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$128,800	1188 GLEN DR, 3/3+, Impeccable! Mstr Ste, Fam Rm, Au Pair, Yd Pacific Union, Michelle Miller 339-6460 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$399,500
2238 39TH AVE, 2bd/ 1ba Coldwell Banker, Nancy Taussig 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4	19100 CREST AVE, 2bd/1 1/2 Ba Units, Frp, By Vws, Trls, Pool \$125,000 & UP Agent, 886-5437 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4	\$125,000 & UP	14371 LOCUST ST, 3bd/ 2ba Gadsby & Associates, George 748-5300 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4	\$228,000
4180 WHITTLE AVE, Nw Lstng! Oakmore 1+1/2 Fixer Cttge @ 1/2 Ac Pacific Union, Pat Carlton 339-6460	DANVILLE Open Sunday		429 WARWICK AVE, Nw Listing! Broadmoor, 2+1/2 Crtsm, 1/4 Acre Better Homes, Earle Shenk 339-4000 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$209,500
845 45TH ST, N. Oak 2/1, Hot Tub! Great yard! What Charm! Mason McDuffie, John Bell 834-2010	652 EL CERRO BLVD, 4/3 Move-in condition, 1/3 Acre, Pool, Spa Better Homes, Ed Marshall 339-4000 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$345,000	365 PERALTA AVE, Best Manor 2/1, Walk To BART, Pvt Yd & Pano RE/MAX In Motion, Carolyn 430-0303 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$158,800
2854 OCTAVIA, Allendale Unusually Charming 2/1, Pvt Backyard Coldwell Banker, Victor Fierro 339-1174	EL CERRITO Open Sunday		2472 BELVEDERE, Marina Grdns, 2 1/2, Nw Carpet, Linoleum, Paint RE/MAX In Motion, Carolyn 430-0303 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$119,800
322 BURLWOOD ST, Brookfield Village 2/1, 6 Rms, Well Maintained Better Homes, Renee Croft 339-4800	7668 STOCKTON, 3+bd/ 2ba Coldwell Banker, Henry Chang 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$268,000	SAN PABLO Open Sunday	
ALAMEDA Open Sunday	404 VILLAGE DR, 2/1, Bay Vw, Exc Locn Close To BART Better Homes, Nick Lavrov 339-8400 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$255,000	2621 VALE ROAD, 4bd/ 2 1/2 ba Coldwell Banker, Neil Mishalov 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$207,000
1555 ELM, 2+1/2 California Bungalow, Quiet Street, FDR Winters Realty, Ronda Bickley 893-2921 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4	1025 RICHMOND, 3bd/ 2ba Coldwell Banker, Diana Kay 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$229,000		
ALBANY Open Sunday	220 BEHRENS, 2+bd/ 1ba Coldwell Banker, Kim Cleveland 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30	\$229,000		
1120 PORTLAND, Impeccable Ca Spanish 2+bd, Fam Rm, Storage JT Ward, Miriam Wilson 652-0619 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4	KENSINGTON Open Sunday			
BERKELEY Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm	227 YALE AVE, Reduced! Sunny, Spac Updtd 4+1/2, Dbl Lot Templeton Co., 652-2133 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4	\$329,000		
2216 LOS ANGELES, 5bd/ 3+ba Coldwell Banker, Nacio Brown 486-1495				

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Events

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, holds **Contracting: Legal Aspects**, Saturday, Sept. 24, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. \$70; and **Hands-on Electrical Wiring**, Sat. & Sun., Sept. 25 & 26, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. \$180. Call 525-7610.

Countrywide, a mortgage lender and servicer, hosts an **Open House** on Saturday, Sept. 24, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. at 362 Grand Ave., Oakland. Refreshments served. Learn about many loan and down payment options and how to qualify on a low to moderate income. For more information, call 888-7300.

Low Stress Homebuying, a free informal workshop on Sunday, Sept. 25, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., features a panel of experts who

will address such issues as: "Why is there a property insurance crisis?" "What are the tax advantages of property ownership?" "How much mortgage can you qualify for?" and "Where are the most affordable neighborhoods?" At Marvin Gardens Real Estate, 1577 Solano Ave., Berkeley. Call Beth Hoffman (415) 861-5708.

The Institute of Real Estate Management is cosponsoring **Managing and Marketing Troubled Assets**, a three-day course Sept. 26-28 at the Miyako Hotel in San Francisco. The course teaches the specialized management and marketing strategies necessary for transforming troubled properties into marketable investment assets. Tuition is \$830 (\$225 for CPM members of

IREM; \$755 for CPM candidates). Call (312) 661-0004 for more information.

1st Nationwide Bank, 201 San Pablo Towne Center, San Pablo, sponsors a **First-Time Home Buyers Seminar**, Wednesday, Sept. 28. E.M. Smith, bank loan consultant, and Jeffrey Wright, managing broker of Wright Realtors and president of the West Contra Costa Association of Realtors, are speakers at the free event. Refreshments. Seating is limited. Call (800) 226-7128, ext. 203, for reservations.

Arts & Culture and Pro Arts co-sponsor a workshop, **The Art of Self-Promotion**, Thursday, Sept. 29, 7 p.m. at 461 Ninth St., Oakland. Participants will receive samples of a press kit, resume, press release, and a current mailing list. Cost \$25 members; \$35 non-members. Call 763-4361.

The Oakland Association of Realtors (OAR) sponsors **Lease Options in Today's Real Estate Market**, Friday, Sept. 30, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. with registration at 8:30 a.m. at 1528 Webster St. The course looks at the legal, tax and practical aspects of lease options. \$35 for OAR members; \$45 for non-members. Call Mary Williams at 836-3000.

The Alameda County Home & Garden Show is Fri., Sat., and Sun., Sept. 30 - Oct. 2 at the Alameda County Fair Grounds in Pleasanton. Hundreds of exhibits. Call 800-222-9351 for more information.

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents **Construction Cost Estimating for Homeowners**, Sat., Oct. 1, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$70; and **Home Remodeling: Avoiding the Pitfalls**, 1 - 5 p.m. \$45. Call 525-7610 for reservations.

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents **Financing for First-Time Home Buyers**, Sunday, Oct. 2, 2



Autumn fantasies

Dan Morgan of No Sew Draperies demonstrates the latest in window fashions and the ease with which they can be changed. Interior design exhibits are just one of the attractions at this year's Alameda County Fall Home and Garden Show, Sept. 30 - Oct. 2 at Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton. The largest exhibition in the Tri-Valley area has something for everyone. Landscape designs, custom kitchens, security and roofing experts, as well as health and fitness gurus will be there. Of particular interest is "Autumn Fantasies," featuring fall designs for Halloween and Thanksgiving. Admission is \$2; children 12 and under, free. Call 682-7225 for more details.

- 5 p.m. \$35. Call 525-7610 for reservations.

How to Prevent and Remove Drug Dealing from rental property is the topic of a workshop Saturday, Oct. 1, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Oakland Association Realtors headquarters, 1528 Webster St. Co-sponsored by the Oakland Police Department Beat Health Unit and the Apartment House Association of Northern Alameda County. \$25. Reservations required. Call 893-9873 to register.

Adult classes in the **Macintosh Computer** begin Oct. 3 at St. Paul's Community School near Lake Merritt in Oakland. Classes include "What Mac to Buy," "Introduction to the Mac," "Clarworks," "Clarworks for Teachers," "Microsoft Word," "Pagemaker," "Superpaint,"

"Filemaker Pro," "Surf the Internet," "Online Services," "PrePress B & W," "Prepress Color," "Troubleshooting," and "Quicken." Cost is \$55 for 3-week class; \$20 - 22 for Saturday Clinic. Call 465-2025.

The Building Ecology Lecture Series presents Bernie Meyerson, recycled building materials consultant, on **Sustainable Construction for the Future**, Tuesday, Oct. 4, 7 p.m. Sponsored by Architects/Designers/Planners for Social Responsibility. At 865 Florida St., San Francisco. Call 273-2428.

The Institute of Real Estate Management offers **Marketing and Management of Residential Property**, Oct. 8 - 14 at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel in San Francisco. The course covers basic theories and techniques of the

management of a residential complex with emphasis on daily operation and practical skills. For more information call (312) 661-0004.

The **East Bay Women Artists Exhibition '94** runs through Oct. 28, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., at Kaiser Mezzanine Gallery, 300 Lakeside Dr., Oakland. Call 339-0348 for more information.

Le Tip, Montclair Chapter, holds a **Networking Group** Wednesdays, 7 a.m., at Montclair Golf Course Restaurant, 2477 Monterey Blvd., Oakland. Guests are welcome. First meetings are free. Call Jeanette Sanderson at 536-1050 for more information.

Dunsmuir House and Gardens offers tours of the 37-room Colonial Revival mansion built by coal and lumber baron Alexander Dunsmuir and visit the lush gardens surrounding the estate. The mansion is open for tours on the first and third Sunday of every month; also every Wednesday, noon - 1 p.m. the grounds are open Tuesday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. plus the first and third Sunday of every month. 2960 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland. Call 562-3232.

Meetings of the **Fuji Bonsai Club** take place the second Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m., at the Buddhist Temple, 1524 Oregon St., Berkeley. Call 530-9428.

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ext, Brounstein hired Frankie Oliven-Meglin of Graphic Communications to design and Gin Lee Acme Trophy to manufacture attractive plaques to identify the origin of the sections.

As a reward for his efforts, Brounstein now has a unique and wonderful product: a paperweight that once was a part of the art deco ceiling on the magnificent Golden Gate Bridge.

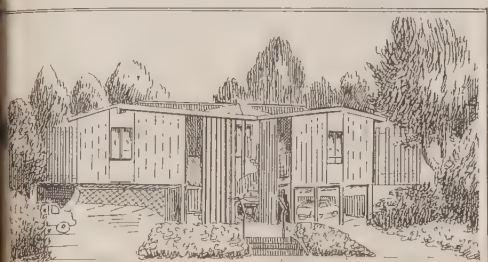
"Bay Area residents drive or walk over the span many times in their lives, and visitors come from all over the world to experience the wonder of the bridge,"

Brounstein said.

"Here is an opportunity for a resident to send a loved one who is visiting the Bay Area home with a one-of-a-kind gift. This is a chance for anyone to have a real treasure gracing a deck or a mantelpiece."

To learn how to own a piece of the Golden Gate Bridge's art deco guard rail, call Ed Brounstein at 881-4717.

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Beautiful two bedroom home in the great St. Jerome area. Walk to BART, shopping and school. Large, sunny living room with fireplace, new paint and carpets, hot tub with deck, central heat and more.
SUZI SALTER 527-9111/466-5843

PT. RICHMOND CRAFTSMAN \$204,000
This lovingly maintained 2 bedroom home retains its period charm. It features original built in bookcases and cupboards, lovely floors and a spacious eat-in kitchen. Pure charm. SUE NELSON 527-9111/273-9510

GREAT OPPORTUNITY \$179,000
Positive cash flow possibilities for this triplex, one 2br/1ba, two 3br/1ba units with good tenants. Seller may credit \$5000.00 to buyer. Don't miss this one. MOYA MA 527-9111/758-3866

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RESIDENTIAL BROKERAGE

HOMES OPEN SUNDAY 2:00-4:30

284 MOUNTAIN AVENUE, PIEDMONT - 6BD/4+BA.....\$1,739,000	5151 McDONNELL, OAKLAND HILLS - 3BD/2+BA.....\$408,000
English Normandy, 1/2 acre, central Piedmont. Dee Dee Bonham	New custom home, fam rm, bay/canyon views, privacy, Roselle Woods
9 WYNGAARD AVENUE, PIEDMONT - 4BD/2+BA.....\$929,500	1188 GLEN DRIVE, SAN LEANDRO - 3BD/3+BA.....\$399,500
Beautiful English Tudor, exquisite craftsmanship. Georgia Cornell	Impeccable Master suite, family rm, au pair, large yard. Michelle Miller
5321 GOLDEN GATE, UPPER ROCKRIDGE - 4+BD/2+BA.....\$799,000	797 ROSEMARY, CROCKER HIGHLANDS - 4BD/4BA.....\$385,000
Beautifully restored architectural gem on 1/2 acre. Claudia Ellinghaus	Beautiful English, move-in condition, large rumpus. Georgia Cornell
5410 FERNHILL ROAD, SKYLINE - 4BD/3+BA.....\$749,000	5665 CABOT DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 3BD/2+BA.....\$349,000
Fantasy dream house! Indoor & outdoor pools, sauna. Sally Morrison	Colonial, close to Village, updated kitchen, family room. Thomas Wurst
5425 GOLDEN GATE, UPPER ROCKRIDGE - 4BD/3BA.....\$659,000	4275 39TH AVENUE, REDWOOD HEIGHTS - 4BD/2BA.....\$349,000
New & gorgeous! Fine quality & workmanship throughout. Lindsey Murray	All level contemporary, courtyard, lg fam rm, bay views. Joe Knowland
110 ST. JAMES DRIVE, PIEDMONT - 3BD/2+BA.....\$629,000	7112 SNAKE ROAD, MONTCLAIR - 3+BD/2BA.....\$349,000
Custom contemp, large landscaped gardens, privacy. Martha Holstman	Just listed! Bay view, fam room, beautiful garden setting. Chuck Corwin
5874 MARGARITO, CLAREMONT PINES - 4BD/3+BA.....\$619,000	1900 HOOVER AVENUE, OAKMORE - 3BD/2BA.....\$349,000
New listing! Monterey Colonial, library, great kitchen. Brooks Anderson	Wonderful Spanish Mediterranean, SF/South bay views. Kirk Phillips
1061 STERLING AVE, BERKELEY HILLS - 3BD/2+BA.....\$579,000	73 BUCKEY, UPPER ROCKRIDGE - 4BD/3BA.....\$346,000
Fabulous 8-yr old Mediterranean, great views from deck. Dee Knowland	Bay & bridge view, home office potential, move-in cond. Wendy Gardner
1969 GASPARD DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 4BD/3BA.....\$319,500	6515 ASCOT DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 3BD/2BA.....\$319,500
Just listed! New home by Jeff Armstrong, excellent detail. Francis Heath	New listing! Charming, all level home in Piedmont Pines. Wyn Stephens
887 PARAMOUNT RD, CROCKER HIGHLANDS - 4BD/3BA.....\$479,000	6757 BANNING DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 3+BD/2BA.....\$315,000
Stately traditional, prime street, great new kitchen. Joan Daniel	New listing! Den/office, level tree-studded lot, deck. Donna Costella
920 SHATTUCK AVENUE, BERKELEY - 4BD/3BA.....\$478,000	4079 LYMAN ROAD, OAKMORE - 3+BD/2+BA.....\$295,000
Fabulous brown shingle, 3 frpls, swimming pool & spa. Rich Gould	Spacious sparkling traditional, gardener's paradise! Tom Anthony
5119 FAIRHILL COURT, RIDGEMONT - 4BD/3BA.....\$465,000	1457 SUMMIT ROAD, BERKELEY - 3BD/2BA.....\$295,000
New listing! Elegant home. Large kit/fam rm, large level lot. Robyn Mohr	Quiet & peaceful! Level, family room, quiet retreat. Joanna Gould
14 SONA STREET, UPPER ROCKRIDGE - 4BD/3+BA.....\$449,500	6901 CHAMBERS DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 2BD/1BA.....\$285,000
Incredible value! Sparkling, charming trad, large yard. Patricia Scott	Beautiful setting, large lot, upgraded kitchen & bath. Ann Nichols
25 MASONIC PLACE, MONTCLAIR - 4BD/2BA.....\$419,000	5659 BROADWAY AVENUE, ROCKRIDGE - 2+BD/1BA.....\$245,000
Impeccable & charming! All level living, cul-de-sac. Charlene Claybaugh	New listing! Charming, updated, convenient location. Teri Carlisle

BY APPOINTMENT

CENTRAL PIEDMONT TRADITIONAL.....\$649,000	PIEDMONT PINES VALUE.....\$359,000
Walk to schools and shopping. Cul-de-sac location, 3BD/2+BA, plus room, fabulous new kitchen, patio & garden. Francis Heath	Priced to sell! Lovely courtyard entry, cul-de-sac, 4BD/3BA, rumpus, 2 frpls, 2 decks, garage, bsmt wrkshp. Brooks Anderson
EXQUISITE MEDITERRANEAN.....\$639,900	PANORAMIC BAY VIEW.....\$299,000
Architect designed, meticulously crafted Crocker Highlands home, just 1-yr old. 4BD/3+BA, mst ste, lg rumpus. Joan Daniel	Move-in condition, great floor plan, hwd floors, 3BD/2BA, updated kitchen, prpl landscaped garden, 2-car gar. Roselle Woods
CROCKER ARCHITECTURAL GEM.....\$589,000	CHARMING MEDITERRANEAN.....\$269,000
Finely crafted "Chateau" style traditional. 6BD/4BA, fab. park-like back yard, gardens, deck, patios & sport courts. Teri Carlisle	Split level with original detailing. 3BD/1+BA, separate breakfast room off kitchen, level-out to brick patio. Wyn Stephens
VICTORIAN DUPLEX & COTTAGE.....\$550,000	TWO TOWN VICTORIAN.....\$249,000
A showplace! Charm throughout with gorgeous owner's unit, leaded glass windows, 2 frpls, fabulous gardens. Rich Gould	Close to Lake Merritt, shops & trans. 1BD/1BA lower unit. 2BD/2BA 2-story upper unit. Remodeled kit, fam rm. Donna Costella
UNBEATABLE OPPORTUNITY.....\$489,000	INCREDIBLE VALUE IN GLENVIEW.....\$242,900
To be constructed - 2,750 sq ft, 4BD/2+BA home w/all the amenities. Long standing experienced builder. Call for details. Teri Carlisle	Just reduced! Adorable craftsman with contemporary updates. Vaulted ceilings, kit/fam rm, great bath & level yard. Patricia Scott
SPACIOUS AND CHARMING - MONTCLAIR.....\$419,000	REDWOOD HEIGHTS BUNGALOW.....\$237,000
Versatile 5BD/4BA home w/sep studio, rumpus rm with frpl, large entertaining deck off sunny lanai, 2-car garage. Chuck Corwin	Two levels! 3BD/2BA, plus room, rec room with wet bar, 2 frpls, large decks, fenced back yard, garden, large bsmt. Joan Daniel
HOME PLUS INCOME!.....\$399,000	IMPECCABLE ENGLISH TUDOR.....\$229,000
Updated main house plus 3-yr old 1BD/1BA separate cottage for in-law or office. Private gardens, 2-car garage. Kathy Flynn	Crocker Highlands. 2BD/1BA, plus room/office, hardwood floors, remodeled kitchen, formal dining, level-out yard. Wyn Stephens
TRADITIONAL ELEGANCE.....\$369,950	CHARMING CAPE COD.....\$223,000
Recently upgraded home, ideal for entertaining. Gracious LR & DR, 5BD/2+BA, sun room & formal dining. Charlene Claybaugh	New listing! Roomy 3BD/1BA home in prime Laurel location. Eat-in kitchen, frml dining, hwd flrs, large level yard. Thomas Wurst

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0-15	\$20.00	\$39.00	\$57.00	\$70.00	\$17.50
16-20	\$24.25	\$47.50	\$69.75	\$86.00	\$21.50
21-25	\$28.50	\$56.00	\$82.50	\$102.00	\$25.50
26-30	\$32.75	\$64.50	\$95.25	\$118.00	\$29.50
31-35	\$37.00	\$73.00	\$108.00	\$134.00	\$33.50
36-40	\$41.25	\$81.50	\$120.75	\$150.00	\$37.50
41-45	\$45.50	\$90.00	\$133.50	\$166.00	\$41.50
46-50	\$49.75	\$98.50	\$146.25	\$182.00	\$45.50
ea. additional					
5 words	\$ 4.25	\$ 8.50	\$ 12.75	\$ 16.00	\$ 4.00

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Automotive

101 Autos

ALL Autos Wanted. Full International Revenue Service Tax Deduction for 1993 to help the Homeless Children. Please call us at 415-871-0885. We need Vans, Cars, RVs, Trucks. Thank you!

BUICK Skylark, 1985 4 door, automatic, one owner, all records, good condition, miles, \$1800 \$300-5053.

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HYUNDAI Excel 1986, 2 door hatchback, AM/FM cassette, air, 5 speed, \$2200/offer. 547-5445

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101 Autos

MAZDA 323, 1988, 2 door hatchback, 24,000 miles, excellent condition, Alpine stereo, \$5000 528-2123.

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Announcements

BOY Scout uniforms. Clean out the closet and recycle them to help youngsters. Leave at The Montclair office.

201 Announcements

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VOLUNTEERS needed to help feed feral cat colonies. Oakland. Flexible days, hours. Food provided. 848-9445.

203 Found

To encourage our readers to advertise Found items, The Hills Newspapers is pleased to offer Found ads free of charge for 2 weeks (maximum 15 words).

FOUND cat neutered male, grey, short hair, yellow eyes, friendly, on Taurus Ave. Call 238-3564.

204 Giveaway

As a community service The Hills Newspapers is pleased to offer Giveaway ads free of charge for 2 weeks (maximum 15 words).

TO good home, female black/white kitten. Very affectionate. All vaccinations. \$31-0121 day. 482-3552 evenings.

SMALL sofa, white background/ floral pattern. 1 covering but still usable. You pick up. 549-1316.

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EARLY American couch and single bed with frame. You haul. Call after 6 p.m. 531-0208.

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KITTENS: 8-9 weeks old, male, Black/white or all black. Affectionate. 531-4475, Fran.

205 Lost

LOST kitten, 5 months, white with gray tail, blue eyes. We're desperate. Reward: 653-5251.

Cat missing: Saroni Dr. Black domestic- white chest paws. "Luna", notch on left ear. 339-1057.

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Education

302 Childrens Schools & Camps

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PIANO Lessons, East Bay. New England Conservatory graduate. Experienced, patient, fun. Excellent references. Free trial lesson. Kate: (510)527-6480.

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Employment

401 Help Wanted

ABILITIES

New East Bay office seeks underpaid professionals for key leadership and management positions. Only serious apply. Call (510)528-3906.

ACCOUNTING/ general office, full-time, looking for energetic person to handle a variety of tasks with fundraising software a plus). Basic accounting, switchboard, filing. Your positive attitude is more important than years of experience. (510)428-9011 call for voicemail box #593.

ACCOUNT/Office Manager for small professional consulting and property management company. Excellent compensation with a stable, friendly Berkeley firm. Fax letter and resume to: 649-9650.

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\$525 NORTH Oakland. Spacious sunny, one bedroom, parking, near transportation. The Prudential Landmark Real Estate 287-9986

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\$550 MONTCLAIR studio, spacious, wood panel, small kitchen, trees, near transportation shopping. No pets. 524-8005

\$550 STUDIO in-law. Sunny, patio, laundry, secured, private, garden setting. Cats negotiable 531-7415

\$565

LAKE MERRITT STUDIO

Charming third floor, studio, hardwood floors, walk in closet, separate kitchen. Rent includes heat 419-0904

\$600 CHARMING in-law studio, separate entrance, hardwood floors, sunny. Paid garbage/water. Rent laundry. Pet negotiable. Available October 1. 482-0660

\$615 LARGE, hardwood floors, large kitchen, dining area. Upper level with view. Near transportation 649-8335/271-0674.

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\$650 MONTCLAIR Village, studio. References required. No pets, 10-6 p.m. 530-9376

\$700 LAKESHORE. A sunny corner unit with full view of Lake Merritt in lovely 1920's building. Tie kitchen and bath, china cabinets. 686-5014. Laundry, elevator, intercom. Call 451-9062

\$700 NORTH Oakland. Completely remodelled two bridge view, all utilities, washer/dryer. The Prudential Landmark Real Estate 287-9986

725 APT. FOR RENT 1 BEDROOMS

\$200 FREE rent 1 bedroom, \$585 Piedmont border, Rose Garden. Secure building. 630 Mari-posa. 653-6601

\$385 MONTCLAIR, Snake Road. Furnished bedroom in private home. Bath. Sunporch. Parking. Secured View. (510) 339-1019

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\$430 One bedroom Victorian, near Adams Point, quiet, quiet, parking 236 29th St. 268-8835, 450-0911

\$435 One bedroom, converted old home. Includes all utilities. No pets. Walk to Lake. Non-smoking please. 458-5923

\$435 STUDIO. \$495 up 1 bedroom, charming Art Deco, hardwood floors, walk-in closets 3505 Kempton Way, 231 29th St. 524-3125

\$450

LAKE AREA - WALK TO WORK

1560 Jackson St., 1 bedroom, coin laundry, quiet and clean. Walk to Lake, BART, shopping 451-1324

\$450

Great North Oakland Location

350 41st Street J. 1 bedroom, 5-plex, hardwood floors, gas heat and stove. Eat-in kitchen, quiet neighborhood. Walk to BART. Call Kouhi at 531-6969

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50% OFF FIRST MONTH'S RENT

\$450 Studio with large closet. Last apartment left. Rent includes parking, pool, and basic cable. **GRAND LAKE AREA.** Cats okay 451-5710

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\$550 One bedroom. HUGE closets. Rent includes gas and electricity (steam heat). Lovely charming building. Close to 580. No pets. 451-7274

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\$450 One bedroom flat, remodeled, very nice area. Near Holy Names, Mills College. Anthony 510-331-4228

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File No. 94-4866

The following person is doing business as
Herb's Appraisal Service, 4865 Montague Ave.,
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This business is conducted by an individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 2, 1994.
Publish The Journal September 1, 8, 15, 22,
29, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-4774

The following person is doing business as
Advanced Cleaning Services, 203 Mountaine
Pkwy., P.O. Box 30, Clayton, CA 94517.
Hank Starost, 203 Mountaine Pkwy., Clayton,
CA 94517.

This business is conducted by an individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on July 28, 1994.
Publish The Journal September 1, 8, 15, 22,
29, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-4866

The following person is doing business as
Prolog Productions, 2516 Simas Ave., Pinole, CA
94564.

This business is conducted by individuals -
Husband and Wife.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 19, 1994.
Publish The Journal September 1, 8, 15, 22,
29, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5153

The following person is doing business as
Country Calicos, 414 Appalachian Way, Martinez,
CA 94563.

This business is conducted by an individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 15, 1994.
Publish The Journal September 1, 8, 15, 22,
29, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-4960

The following person is doing business as
Cade Enterprises, 4282 Golden Hill, Pittsburg, CA
94565.

This business is conducted by a General Part-
nership.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 5, 1994.
Publish The Journal September 1, 8, 15, 22,
29, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-4729

The following person is doing business as
Troy's Landscaping & Maintenance, 826 2nd
Ave., Crockett, CA 94525.

This business is conducted by a General Part-
nership.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on July 26, 1994.
Publish The Journal September 1, 8, 15, 22,
29, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5265

The following person is doing business as
Flo's Sign, 1026 View Drive, Richmond, CA
94803.

This business is conducted by individuals -
Husband and Wife.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 19, 1994.
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29, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5175

The following person is doing business as
G & E's Mobile Auto Repair, 211 Rolfe Dr., Pitts-
burg, CA 94565. P.O. Box 2592 Antioch, CA
94509.

This business is conducted by an individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 15, 1994.
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29, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5388

The following person is doing business as
T & C Hauling, 6543 Portola Dr. #107, El Cerrito,
CA 94530.

This business is conducted by an individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 15, 1994.
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29, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5229

The following person is doing business as
Margene Louise Designs, 170F Alamo Plaza
#302, Alamo, CA 94507.

This business is conducted by an individual.
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The following person is doing business as
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Costa County, 3) AdMax Of Concord & Clayton, 4)
AdMax Of Walnut Creek & Pleasant Hill, 5) AdMax
Of The San Ramon Valley, 6) AdMax Of The Tri
Valley, 7) AdMax Of Lamorinda, 8) AdMax Of
East County, 4480 Barberty Ct., Concord, CA
94521.

This business is conducted by an individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 24, 1994.
Publish The Journal September 8, 15, 22, 29,
1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-4910

The following person is doing business as
Anything Legal, 1401 Lang Street, Martinez, CA
94553.

This business is conducted by an individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 3, 1994.
Publish The Journal September 8, 15, 22, 29,
1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5055

The following person is doing business as
National World Publications, 1735 N. Broadway,
Walnut Creek, CA 94596.

This business is conducted by an individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 24, 1994.
Publish The Journal September 15, 22, 29, October
6, 13, 1994.

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The following person is doing business as
Crystal II Construction, 6360 Eureka Ave., El Cer-
rito, CA 94530.

This business is conducted by a General Part-
nership.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 25, 1994.
Publish The Journal September 8, 15, 22, 29,
1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5088

The following person is doing business as
Market Focus, 830 Ball Ct., Danville, CA 94526.
Marienella R. Blake, 830 Ball Ct., Danville, CA
94526.

This business is conducted by an individual.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-4811

The following person is doing business as
1) Steve's Taxes & Bookkeeping, 2) STB Enter-
prises, 3) STB Express, 2996 Taylor Ln., Suite 3,
Byron, CA 94514.

This business is conducted by an individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on July 29, 1994.
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1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5018

The following person is doing business as
Real Estate Referral Service, 4273 Armand Drive,
Concord, CA 94521.

This business is conducted by an individual.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5165

The following person is doing business as
Will Inc., 3411 Carlson Blvd., El Cerrito, CA
94530.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.
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tra Costa County on August 15, 1994.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5416

The following person is doing business as
Heating & Air Conditioning, 2755
Calpine Pl., Concord, CA 94518. P.O. Box 30671,
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This business is conducted by an individual.
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tra Costa County on August 25, 1994.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-4833

The following person is doing business as
H & I International Company, 5028 Clinton Ave.,
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nership.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 1, 1994.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5239

The following person is doing business as
San Pablo Optometry, 14240 San Pablo Ave.,
San Pablo, CA 94806.

This business is conducted by an individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 18, 1994.
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1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5013

The following person is doing business as
Sierra Marble & Granite, 1375 Franquette Ave.,
Union City, Concord, CA 94520.

This business is conducted by a General Part-
nership.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 8, 1994.
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1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5319

The following person is doing business as
Paradise Aquarium, 170 F Alamo Plaza, Suite
141, Alamo, CA 94507.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-4822

The following person is doing business as
Garden Thyme, 427 Kingsley Ct., Pleasant Hill,
CA 94523.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5306

The following person is doing business as
The Cupola, 977 Moraga Road, Lafayette, CA
94549.

This business is conducted by an individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-
tra Costa County on August 22, 1994.
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tober 6, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5247

The following person is doing business as
1) Elliott & Associates 2) HR Options 3) HR Ser-
vices, 30 Harvard Way, Walnut Creek, CA 94596.

This business is conducted by an individual.
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tra Costa County on August 18, 1994.
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tober 6, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5347

The following person is doing business as
TJ Financial and Computing Service, 5437
Conestoga Way, Richmond, CA 94803.

This business is conducted by individuals -
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tra Costa County on August 23, 1994.
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tober 6, 1994.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5347

The following person is doing business as
Schweini Christensen Laboratories, Inc., 3397
Diablo Blvd., Suite E, Lafayette, CA 94549.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.
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tra Costa County on August 23, 1994.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5405

The following person is doing business as
Communications Modifications, 1364 Cobblestone
Ct., Concord, CA 94521.

This business is conducted by an individual.
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tra Costa County on August 25, 1994.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 94-5406

The following person is doing business as
Bachler Supply, 651 Loring Ave., Crockett,
CA 94525.

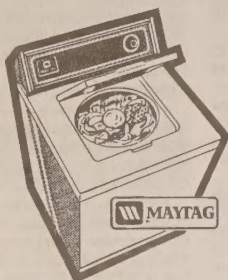
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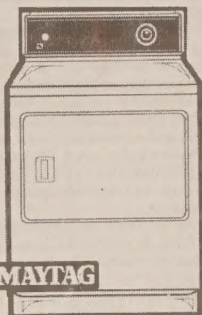
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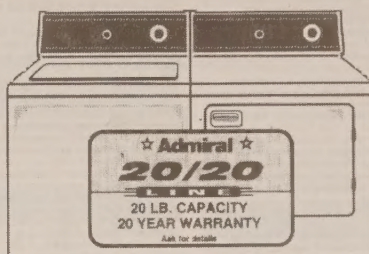
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Admiral

Extra Large Capacity Washer

- Self clean lint filter • Cotton and permanent press cycles • Infinite water level • Bleach dispenser #LATA100AAE

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20 lb. Capacity Dryer

- 7.0 cubic foot drum • Cotton permanent press and time dry • 28-minute cool down #LDEA200ACE (Gas version \$40. extra)

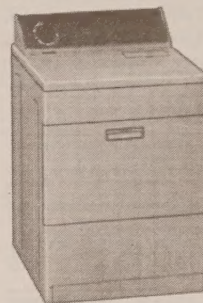
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Whirlpool

Super Capacity Washer

- 5 automatic cycles • Gentle wash system • 3 wash/rinse water temperature combinations • 3 water levels • 2 wash & spin speed combinations • Self-cleaning lint filter • Bleach dispenser. #LSR5233A

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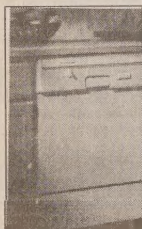


Extra Large Capacity Dryer

- 7 Drying cycles • Automatic dry control • 4 temperature settings • Full hamper door for easy loading • Gentle heat system. #LER7646A (Gas version \$40. extra)

329.

DISHWASHERS



KitchenAid Sure-Scrub Dishwasher

- Three automatic cycles — pots/pans, normal and rinse hold • Multi-level washing • Automatic water heating • Energy-Saver dry option #KUDD230BWH

449.



Built-In Dishwasher

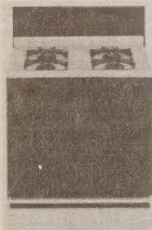
- Three automatic cycles including rinse and hold • Tub & door liner warranted for 10 years. #DU8000XX

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RANGES & BUILT-INS

Commercial Style Gas Ranges

- 10 different burner/griddle/work surface and size combinations available • Zero clearance to cabinets • Automatic pilotless ignition • Infrared broiler • Available in three standard and three optional finishes.



MAYTAG Gas Range

- Sealed surface burners • Electronic clock with timer • Black glass front with multi-pane over window • Porcelain enamel top #CRG7500V

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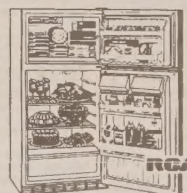
REFRIGERATORS

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14.4 Cu. Ft. Energy Efficient No Frost

- 2 full width door shelves • Recessed door handles • Fruit & vegetable pan #MTH14CYT

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18.1 Cu. Ft. Frost Free

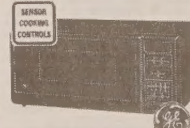
- Humidity controlled crisper • Adjust. shelves • Up-front temp. controls #KTHD18KB

FREE ICE MAKER!

649.



MICROWAVES



General Electric Spacemaker II™ Microwave Oven

- 800 watts, .8 cu. ft. oven cavity • Sensor Cooking Controls include: Auto Cook, Auto Popcorn, Auto Reheat & Auto Roast. • Includes hanging kit for undercabinet installation. #JEM31IM

199.



Whirlpool Compact Microwave

- .6 cu. ft. capacity • 600 watts cooking power • Defrost and high settings. #MS1060XYR

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VACUUMS



Powerline Mighty II Mite 5.0 Peak HP Motor

- Lightweight and compact for easy portability • Triple filtration bag system • On-board tool storage • Includes bare floor brush #3650

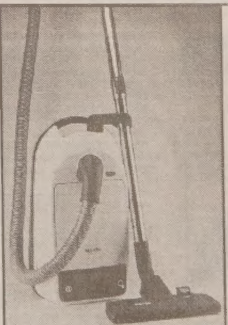
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Bravo Upright

- 3 Position carpet height adjustment and dual edge cleaning • Furniture guard. #9002 Reg. \$69

59.



Miele

High Performance Vacuum

- Miele's electrostatic super air clean filter traps ultra-fine particles that get through the bag — particles as small as flu virus. A full range of attachments

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